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# Duke of York is part of human chain to save royal art treasures



#### Job action demanded by Labour

By Nicholas Wood POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

MINISTERS were under renewed pressure last night to intensify their efforts to promote economic recovery after Labour predicted that failing swift action 250,000 more jobs would be lost this winter. Amid the political fallout

from Thursday's an-nouncement of nearly 10.000 redundancies on the railways and in the finance and construction industries, Opposition members accused John Major of failing to appreciate the scale of the threat to

employment. John Smith, the Labour leader, said trade wars and the recession threatened a downward spiral into a global slump. It was astonishing that the prime minister had not used Britain's European Community presidency to put recovery. growth and jobs at the top of its European agenda.

He was speaking after Opposition calls in the Commons for a ministerial statement on British Rail's decision to axe 5,000 jobs.

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# Gatt farm deal lifts threat of trade war

By George Brock AND MARTIN FLETCHER

EUROPE and America last night broke their two-year deadlock over farm subsidies with a deal that lifts the threat of a transatlantic trade war and brings hope of a massive boost to world economies.

The two sides will now present their farm support deal to the 108 states of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) in Geneva and attempt to wrap up a treaty to liberalise world trade

before the spring.
Negotiators, who finalised the accord by telephone after two days of talks in Washington, said they had resolved their differences on the main issues and had "full expectation" that the breakthrough would provide the impetus necessary to complete the Uru-guay Round. "A trade war has been averted," Frans Andriessen, the EC's external affairs commissioner said.

John Major described the accord as "the single most important trade deal the world has ever seen". It was "quite literally the best possible news we could have had for industry, commerce, the consumer. free trade and for the prospect

■ Hopes rose of a huge boost to the world economy with a Gatt deal laboriously hammered out in Washington. But strains within the EC will not go away, with France threatening to veto the accord

of secure and worthwhile jobs in the future." President Bush, who telephoned Mr Major to thank him for his "key role" he had played as EC president in keeping the talks going when they mend a probability of the state they seemed on the brink of collapes, said the agreement to begin reducing farm subsidies was "fundamental to spurring economic growth and spurring jobs at home and all around the world. We have avoided a possible trade war and that is very, very important."

America had threatened to impose a 200 per cent import tax on \$300 million of European products, mostly French wine, if the dispute were not settled by December 5. Carla Hills, the US trade representative, observed last night that the threat had had "a therapeutic effect" and said she now hoped that Gatt negotiators would return to Geneva early next week and aggressively

though they did not say when. While Mr Bush and John Major hailed the agreement,

the French agriculture minister, Jean-Pierre Soisson, sounded a note of discord when he said that conditions defined by the French government had not been fulfilled. pursue a deal between now "At first I cannot accept it." he and Christmas. Gatt officials said, adding that France would ask the European Comin Geneva also expressed the hope that the Uruguay Round mission to report on whether of talks could be relaunched the deal was compatible with and said they would be calling last May's reform of the coma meeting of the Gatt trade

regotiations committee, al-

mon agricultural policy. The Commission, which negotiates international trade agreements on behalf of the 12 EC governments, approved the package at a special meeting last night and Jacques Delors, who chaired the meeting raised no objection. Ray MacSharry, the EC's negotiator, said that the deal agreed imposed no cuis on Europe's farmers beyond

those already agreed and consolidated the CAP reform. In fact, the deal came within reach after the Americans made surprisingly large con-cession to settle the dispute over Europe's subsidised ex-Continued on page 10, col 3

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#### weakening the structure. Seven hours after the fire started it had flared up again and, according to one eye witness, was spreading towards the north-east end of the castle complex. The fire brigade said it was not spreading and was being contained by fire fighters at the scene.

Christopher Lloyd, surveyor

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#### Queen joins rescue as fire rages at Windsor Castle of the Queen's pictures, was taken to hospital with a sus-

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By Alan Hamilton

MORE than 200 firefighters and 35 appliances were last night still bartling to contain a blaze which severely damaged the structure and interiors of the state apartments at Windsor Castle and at one stage threatened one of the world's

greatest art collections. The Queen joined castle staff, workmen and an army detachment in stripping the world's oldest inhabited castle of its priceless collection of art treasures as flames engulied the north-east corner of the Upper Quadrangle, bringing down most of the roof, part of an outside wall and seriously

As dusk fell last night smoke and flames continued to leap into the night sky, lighting up the mock-Gothic battlements. By early evening, firefighters were satisfied that the blaze had been contained and that there was little danger of it spreading to the private apartments or other parts of the castle. But the damage was considerably greater than that at Hampton Court in the fire

#### Doctor can go back to work

Dr NIGEL Cox. the hospital consultant convicted of the attempted murder of a terminally ill patient, is to be allowed to return to work in the new year, his employers said last night. Wessex regional health au-

tremely serious view" of his conduct and set conditions for his return. A senior consultant is to be appointed as his mentor and he must meet nursing and other staff to 'rebuild relationships" and to receive training in pain relief. Dr Cox wanted time to



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# Mother, 18, took dead baby home

By RONALD FAUX

A TEENAGE mother who was allowed by a Liverpool maternity hospital to take home the body of her stillborn BUTING THE TIMES OVERSEAS
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home as therapy for grief. But without the support of relatives or social workers she became agitated and hysterical and telephoned for help to her foster mother, who had cared for the girl from the age of 12 until she was 16.

The foster mother found the child's body dressed in clothes

and shawl lying in the crib the girl had prepared for it. The woman, who asked not to be named, said yesterday: "It is the most horrendous thing I have heard in my life. It is totally inhumane for a girl to fondle and change a dead

baby like that." When she got to the flat the girl was hysterical, she said, and the only person with her was a younger boy who was not her boyfriend. The girl had said she had pleaded with Mill Road maternity hospital to allow her to bring the baby home, and had been told to

return the body the next day. Sue Williams, acting director of midwifery at the hospital, refused to comment on the individual case, but said it was

policy to treat every mother individually and to allow them to grieve for as long as they wished in any way they chose. "It is only human to want to see your child before it is taken away from you," she said. "Many mothers prefer to

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"It is a very personal choice. The importance of grieving is now well recognised, and people are encouraged to see the baby in hospital when it has died. If they wish, they can bathe and clothe the child. It is their only memory, and we try to make that as precious as possible," she said.

The hospital in the city centre is an NHS trust run jointly with the Liverpool maternity hospital in Oxford

er 7,000 babies a year. Mersey regional health authority commented: "It is now generally accepted that mothers can be helped to come to terms with the death by being encouraged to bond with their child." Liverpool maternity hospital

Street. The two hospitals deliv-

trust said that the mother was 18 and had not been sent home alone. A spokesman said: "When she left the hospital she was accompanied by her boyfriend; they travelled in his car."

Liverpool social services said: "The young woman was given support at the hospital and at home. It was her choice to take the child home, and social services supported her in

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Press protest: journalists demonstrating at the Duily Mirror offices in London yesterday against the "dismissal" of casual workers

# Job creation projects may be started

By Robert Morgan parliamentary staff

THE government is considering setting up a trial workfare scheme under which the jobless are paid to do statesponsored work if they give up their unemployment pay. Making the announcement

Making the announcement in the Commons vesterday. Patrick McLoughlin, the employment minister, said the government was sceptical about the American-syle measure and anached greater importance to training. But it "was considering the possibility" of a pilot above.

bility" of a pilot scheme.

The statement followed a demand by Ralph Howell (C. Norfolk North), who has been pushing plans for a scheme for more than 20 years.

# BR predicts more lay-offs as unions prepare to strike

BY MICHAEL DYNES TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH Rail forecast a further round of redundancies yesterday, as rail union leaders began preparations for a series of 24-hour strikes in protest at the 5.000 job lusses announced on Thursday, BR

the 5,000 job lusses announced on Thursday. BR said that more redundancies over the next two years would be unavoidable unless demand for rail services increased.

Derrick Fullick, general secretary of Aslei, the train drivers' union, forecast "a series of 24-hour strikes by the public sector" and warned that job losses would be followed by cuts in services, line closures and higher fures. John NelNetwork SouthEast, said that strike action would be an "illconsidered prospect and a potentially extremely damaging response, and one which I do not believe would be fitting in the circumstances".

The effects of BR's financial difficulties are becoming increasingly serious. Mr Nelson conceded that Network South-East faced "an extremely difficult funding position".

Had it not been for the recession and the collapse in receipts from passenger fares, down by 10 per cent over the past four years. BR would have been in the middle of a modernisation drive which would have transformed the image and performance of the

railways. Just as it started to gear up for its biggest investment programme in three decades, the recession struck. When the investment pro-

When the investment programme was drawn up. BR faced the dual task of catering for a big increase in demand for commuter services and the need to replace antiquated rolling stock and track equipment that had accumulated from two decades of neglect.

Although recession has meant that BR no longer faces the pressing need to expand capacity, it has also meant that rail managers are saddled with increasing amounts of obsolete equipment, and little or no prospect of finding the money to replace it.

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and some line closures.

signalling systems and relay an estimated 2,500 miles of track over the next 15 years. Rail engineers fear that these targets can no longer be met. Large areas of the South East

could face speed restrictions

enough to be first on the list of

modernisation schemes, such

as the east coast mainline, the

Chiltern line and the Kent

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formed. Those further down

the list, including the west

coast mainline, the Kent coast

routes and the London, Til-

bury and Southend line,

Network SouthEast must

replace 60 per cent of its

slipped off the agenda.

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# Less rail cash means less safety — on roads

By RICHARD HOPE

ZERO investment is the watchword at British Rail headquarters as 5,000 staff are shed at the end of a disastrous year. London Transport has also been hit by plunging revenues and a Tube strike looms over 5,000 more job losses.

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ironically, rail investment hit record levels this year, with BR and LF each spending around £1 billion. But both programmes are heading for oblivion, with few if any new contracts in prospect.

Privatisation plans for BR assume that new trains will be bought by the private sector. But there is minimal interest in such long-term commitments with no guaranteed customer. The Underground, struggling to over-

come decades of neglect and underspending, saw its investment plans slashed by a third in the Chancellor's Autumn Statement.

Autumn Statement.

LT's chairman, Wilfred Newton. says that the cuts "will mean worsening service quality to maintain safety. There is more irony here, for it was the outery over rail safety after the King's Cross and Clapham tragedies that led to hugely increased spending on safety. BR puts the figure at £600 million over three

years: LT has spent no less.

It did not stop there. Before Clapham. BR staff had been dropping steadily at around 3 per cent a year as efficiency improved. In 1990-2, staff increased by 4,000 while traffic fell away because of tighter safety rules. The same happened on

the Tube. Operating costs soared under the twin pressures.

Safety spending has not caused the twin crises which have hit BR and LT. But it has seriously undermined their finances and weakened their ability to ride out the recession. It has also exposed as naïve the government's belief that London, alone among the world's great cities, could run commuter trains at a profit.

It is freight, however, that is threatened with something close to collapse. The order had gone out that all "unprofitable" freight must be eliminated by March 31 so that various businesses such as Trainload Coal could be put up for sale.

Yet the privatisation white paper published in July said that Railtrack, which will own the track, "will be expected to make a return on its assets and to charge [train] operators for the use of its track". This would be certain death for most freight trains. John MacGregor, the transport secretary, has only weeks to decide whether the much touted environmental benefits of rail justify subsidy

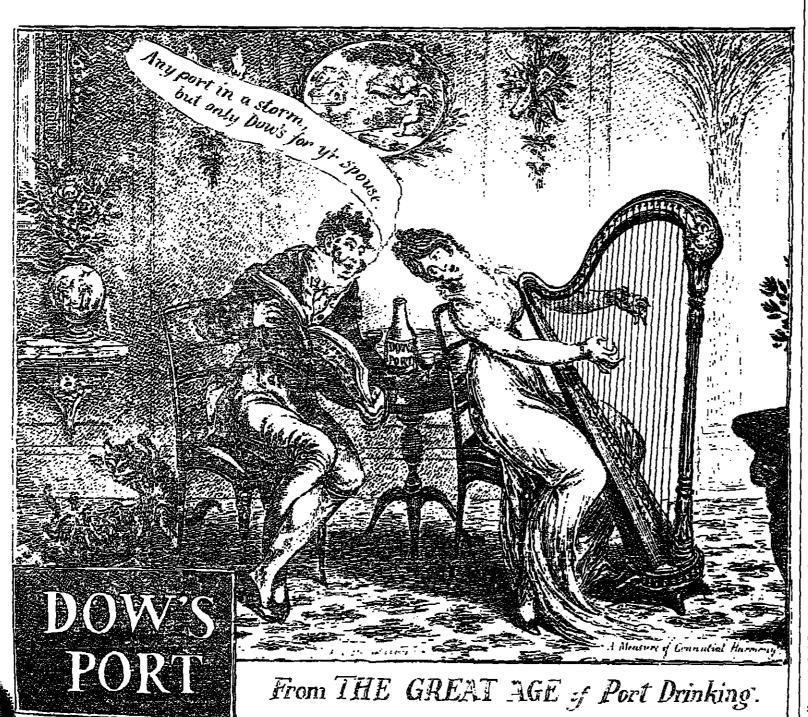
in the form of minimal charges for

track use, plus measures to help the switch from lorries to trains.

And it is on the roads that the real threat to safety lies. The figures will never be separated from other road casualties, but hundreds will die and tens of thousands will be maimed for life if political dogma triumphs over

what, to most people, looks like common sense.

Richard Hope is Consultant Editor of Railway Gazette



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# Lifetime in banking proves worthless

Lin Jenkins meets one of the new breed of financial executives swelling the dole queues

Alan Hampson can smile at the irony of his situation. After a career spent advising others on how to manage their money, he now has all day to organise his own reduced funds. As one of about 200 people who lost their jobs at the Royal Bank of Scotland before Thursday's announcement of 3,500 more job cuts over five years. Mr Hampson has had time to reflect on the abrupt end of a career he believed was for life.

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When he entered banking
34 years ago he assumed he
would remain until retirement. With two children as
university and another yet to
go, he did not expect it to end
at the age of 51. "They call it
early retirement but I regard
myself as unemployed. I still
want to work until I am 60,
but there have been 50,000
jobs lost in the finance industry in the last two years and
they are all after the job I am
after." he said from his home
in Orpineton. Kent.

in Orpington, Kent. Mr Hampson, like many of the new breed of white-collar unemployed, was surprised when the recession hit the banking profession. When he started in a Manchester branch of a small bank which was to become the Royal Bank of Scotland, there was no prospect of losing your post, unless you were caught with your fingers in the till "You always thought it was a secure job and a source of new ones. Banks always took school leavers. Now where will they go?"

U nemployment happened to some clients, but not to himself or his friends. "I can remember the last of the cotton mills going and people being out of work. It was always blue-collar workers who lost their jobs, indeed there was an awareness among them that they might find themselves unemployed somewhere during their life. What is different this time is ie-couar people nave been hit. To someone like me it is a cultural shock. I have never been out of work for a single day in my life."

His work in the South East of England brought him in little contact with people facing unemployment when the traditional smoke stack industries went into decline. "There were some who lost their jobs when smaller engineering companies went in the knockon. But this part of the country was unrouched by it all, until we began to see it in the construction industry."

Mr Hampson's last position was assistant manager at a branch in central London, handling securities. Some of his customers were investing their redundancy payments. At the DSS they call me sir because I wear a tie and can fill in a form without any help. It is a different class of people who are jobless now," he said.

who are jobless now." he said.

Mr Hampson is determined to find work, but his first venture into an employment agency last Monday was not encouraging. "Very politely, when they heard I used to be in a bank, they ushered me to the door without so much as taking my name."

#### NEWS IN BRIEF

# Navy aids Customs in £30m drug swoop

Customs officers yesterday seized 10 tonnes of cannabis with a street value of about £30 million, the biggest haul for several years, in a raid on a British-registered oil rig support vessel in the North Sea, Customs and Excise said, Investigators arrested six people after boarding the Britannia Gazelle about 170 miles east of Newcastle.

It is understood that the vessel had been under surveillance for several weeks and that officers were continuing to search for two tonnes of cocaine — with a street value of about £200 million — thought to be hidden on board. The raid, carried out with the help of the Royal Navy fisheries protection vessel HMS Shetland, came after co-operation with foreign customs officers. Sir Brian Unwin, chairman of Customs and Excise, said: "This is a major seizure of a buge amount of cannabis after a long and skilful operation."

#### Stabbed gunman flees

An armed man who shot a jeweller in a shop in Brighton. East Sussex, yesterday was forced to flee after being stabbed in the stomach by a shop assistant. Police said it was believed that the assistant stabbed the attacker with a jeweller's file or similar object and that he fled, bleeding heavily. It was not known last night whether anything was stolen during the attack at a shop in The Lanes. The jeweller, who was shot in the arm, was taken to the Royal Sussex County Hospital in the town.

#### Student accuses doctor

A German student broke down in tears at the Old Bailey yesterday as she told of her shame after an alleged sexual attack by a Harley Street gynaecologist. Miss C. aged 20, told the jury at the Central Criminal Court that she had gone to Dr Thomas Courtney's premises hoping for a Saturday job. Dr Courtney, aged 46, from Cricklewood, north London, has denied indecently assaulting the student raping two other women at his surgery and indecently assaulting a fourth. The trial was adjourned until Monday.

#### Hoaxer assaults baby

A woman posing as a social worker talked her way into a young mother's home and indecently assaulted her 10-month-old baby. A letter naming the child and saying that a social worker would call over allegations that the baby had been given drugs was delivered to the house four days before the incident in Nelson. Lancashire. The woman pushed past the 21-year-old mother into the house after accusing her of glue sniffing and carried out what police said was an indecent examination on the baby.

#### Rarest bats fly in



Six of the world's rarest bats — Livingstone's fruit, which has a 6ft wingspan — have been captured by a team from Bristol University and taken to Jersey Zoo to start a breeding programme. The bats, above, survive on only one island, Anjouan in the Comoros, but the researchers will have to return for more because they brought back only one female.

#### Freedom plea fails

Lorrain Osman. Britain's longest-serving unconvicted prisoner, yesterday failed in his ninth attempt to avoid extradition to Hong Kong for trial on fraud charges. Two High Court judges refused to grant a writ of habeas corpus to free him from Brixton prison seven years after his arrest, saying that he had produced no fresh evidence.

#### Setback to extradition

A tape recording in which Roderick Newall, 27, is alleged to have confessed to murdering his parents has been ruled inadmissible in an extradition hearing in Gibraltar. Judge Pizzarello ruled that Mr Newall, in a taped conversation with relatives at a hotel near Perth, "made no admission to murder". The case has been adjourned until Wednesday.

#### Residue in organic food

Up to a quarter of bread, bran, flour and potatoes produced organically and supposed to be untouched by man-made chemicals contains pesticide residues, according to a government report issued yesterday. Conventionally grown food is twice as likely to have them, the report says. Organic food residues are thought to arise from spraying in storage.

#### Table lists non-existent school

By John O'Leary Education correspondent

MORE errors in the government's examination tables were discovered yesterday, including an entry for a nonexistent school.

John Patten, the education secretary, faced fresh embarrassment over details for East Gate School, Nottingham. Fred Riddell, Nottinghamshire education chairman, said: "We have never had a school by that name." The school was credited with the results from William Crane Comprehensive School at Aspley, Nottingham, which was missed out.

Parliament Hill School, in the London borough of Camden, was shown to have no Alevel passes when its average points score was 12.3. Mancheter High School

Manchester High School for Girls, which threatened legal action after its 100 per cent record for pupils scoring five or more top GCSE grades was registered as 16 per cent, received an apology from Eric Forth, the schools minister.

A faulty computer disc issued by the department led to Norfolk and North Yorkshire's entries being transCORRECTED EXAMINATION RESILES

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supplement of Thursday's Times. Seven Wolverhampton schools listed here were omitted from the School Report tables due to a technical error.

La Retraite School, in Salisbury, Wiltshire, was also omitted from the government's lists. All the school's 37 GCSE entraits achieved passes 80

per cent of them at A-C grades. The tables for Holyrood School at Chard, Somerset, showed 6 per cent of pupils achieving five or more A-C passes at GCSE instead of 46.9 per cent.

Simon Jenkins, page 14 Letters, name 15

# Thin column of white smoke heralded disaster

Dozens of firefighters took only ten minutes to reach the castle but by then a human chain of estate workers was already bringing out priceless treasures

#### BY STEWART TENDLER

A THIN trickle of white smoke rising in the late morning air above the grey towers and walls of Windsor Castle yesterday heralded the beginning of a blaze that sent flames leaping high over the

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Within minutes, the smoke turned from white to black and then began to billow as the first of several hundred firemen from five brigades arrived. They found hastily formed numan chains of estate and castle workers already trying to prevent catastrophe and rescue treasures.

The fire began in the Queen's private chapel near the basement of the Bruns-wick Tower where refurbishing work was under way. It spread rapidly.

Dean Landsdale, who was

injured as he helped to retrieve paintings, said he and colleagues heard a shout of "fire" and then saw the chapel was an inferno with curtains on fire and walls burning.
"We dragged paintings into

the gallery. I pulled three or four out with other people, then I touched one and felt my hands burning," he said. David Palmer, a carpenter,

was working in the Grand Vestibule on the first floor when the fire began. He said: "Somebody called for a fire extinguisher to put out a small fire. We went into St George's Hall with the extinguishers and we could see the fire was going to take hold any minute. It just burst through from the chapel area and the lads working there carried out the paintings which had been

moved off the walls." The alarm was raised at 11.37am and by 11.48am ten fire engines were on the scene.

By then the fire could be seen from outside the castle.

Phillip Price, 50, who works in the a gift shop near Castle Hill said: "I thought it was a bonfire on the other side of the castle. Next time I looked, it was the height of the tower. There was masses of smoke and flames the height of the building, which is very high indeed.

St George's Hall, where the Queen holds state banquets, was one of the last sections of the castle to be renovated during a five-year project. Roger Carter, chairman of Berkshire County Council's environment committee, said: "It was due to be handed over shortly but I fear that a great many art treasures had already been put back in place.
This is a tragedy for the Queen
and the country."
Within the castle grounds a

lone Gurkha guardsman. standing rigidly to attention with his rifle, remained unmoved as emergency services and journalists rushed all around him. Lorryloads of Life Guards arrived to join the rescue operation and estate workers hurried to the castle in green lorries.

The main quadrangle of the castle was filled with fire engines. A 60ft long carpet lay rolled up in plastic sheeting that had been placed on the grass. Hundreds of planks were littered around the grass

Human chains passed furniture out into Engine Court and the yard became littered with ornate sofas, cabinets and lampstands. Some items were loaded immediately into removal vans but others had to be left to stand in the damp



Source of the blaze: firemen aim a jet of water at the roof of the Queen's private chapel, where the fire started

By 12.12pm, the firemen were struggling and the number of appliances had gone up to 20. By 2.20pm, there were 35 appliances and men had been called from Surrey, Buckinghamshire, London and Oxfordshire, Fire investigation teams, including scientists from the government's research unit at Boreham-

wood, Hertfordshire, were standing by. Firemen on a hydraulic platform stood ready to douse

tongues of flame that occasionally flickered above the roof of the Brunswick Tower. The whole of the roof appeared to be alight at one stage. The flames were beaten back by the powerful water jet but then seemed to catch hold

Thick smoke continued to pour from the slit windows in the tower as darkness approached. Fire engines formed a circle around the perimeter of the courtyard,

where large plastic sheets were laid to protect the rescued furnishings and art works. Workmen wearing white

hats rested on piles of paintings, exhausted as they tried to save all the endangered valuable treasures. Piles of silverware lay on the ground as staff and helpers rushed to bring artefacts out of the building. Viola Pemberton-Piggott

said: "Work was going on in the area where the fire was. It was being rewired and the paintings had been taken down. I think they were stacked against the walls so it wasn't a question of getting them down, it was just a question of carrying them out. We are hoping that nothing precious has been damaged. There are Rembrandis, Van Dycks and lots of other paintings."

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#### Damage may exceed **Hampton Court blaze**

By JOHN YOUNG

THE damage to Windsor Castle is thought likely to exceed that caused to another royai palace, Hampton Court, in a disastrous fire in 1986. Like Hampton Court, the castle is not covered by conventional insurance but by government indemnity, which means that the taxpayer will face the bill for restoration.

The fire that gutted state apartments at Hampton Court is thought to have been caused by an overturned candle in a grace-and-favour apartment occupied by an elderly resident who died in the blaze. Most of the furniture and paintings were saved. but the roof fell in, wrecking the interior, and thousands of gallons of water used to put out the blaze soacked the building. Restoration took six years and cost more than £10 million. The apartments were reopened by the Queen only four and a half months ago. English Heritage, the gov-

ernment's advisory body, is expected to play a leading role in assessing damage to the castle and recommending how to repair it. John Thorneycroft, of English Heri-tage, said: "I am sure it will be some time before we can agree on what sort of strategy should be brought into play.

#### The Queen helps staff to rescue treasures

Continued from page ! private chapel by picture restorers packing paintings for storage. Within three hours the adjoining St George's Hall, the scene of magnificent state banquets, had been gutted and its fine timber roof largely collapsed.

The Queen, who arrived in mid-afternoon while flames were still leaping from the roof of her traditional weekend home, was said to be "urterly devastated". One of her staff said: "She feels as you would feel if you arrived to find your home on fire." After talking to fire officers in the Quadrangle among a confusion of fire appliances, ambulances, hoses and turntable ladders, she went to her private apartments and helped staff to take pictures from the walls and personal effects from her rooms.

One of the first on the scene was the Duke of York, who had been engaged in research work for his army staff college course in another part of the eastle. The eastle's volunteer fire brigade were attempting to tackle the blaze as appliances raced towards Windsor from Berkshire. Buckinghamshire and London.

The Duke helped to coordinate the rescue by the castle's 300 staff and contractors to remove carpets, paintings, porcelain and other works of art from rooms near by. He and helpers managed to strip the Waterloo Chamber of most of its moveable

contents in 30 minutes. The Duke later spoke of a magnificent effort to save the contents, and said that only six or eight paintings ap peared to have been lost, all of them in the private chapel.

where Queen Victoria worshipped and where generations of the royal family have been christened, confirmed or

At least three people were injured during the fire fight-ing, none of them seriously. There was no indication last night of the cause of the fire. However, that area of the castle is undergoing renovation and rewiring work.

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Royal concern: the Queen hears the latest news from firemen tackling the blaze at the castle

# THE SUNDAY TIMES

#### Greatest art collection in world could be damaged

pictures, spoke volumes. On hearing of the fire he rushed to Windsor from his office at Buckingham Palace, but on arrival he collapsed with a suspected heart attack and was taken to hospital. The art collections at Wind-

sor Castle are among the richest in the world. In the state apartments there are royal family portraits by the score Charles II by Van Dyck, Queen Charlotte by Benjamin West, various princes by John Copley. Aesthetic relief is provided by a pair of views of Venice by Canaletto. Mounted porcelain, lavish French furniture, tapestries and armour abound.

Were the fire to have ex-

national heritage tragedies of

Philippa Glanville, a cura-

tor at the V&A, who used to

this century".

into my office. It was tended into the Royal Library. like an armed robbery. which forms a dog's leg off the I moved towards a state apartments, thousands phone on my desk; of priceless drawings by Leonardo da Vinci and Holbein one of the soldiers might have gone up in smoke. aimed his gun at me, As Sir Roy Strong, former director of the Victoria and grasped the phone and tore the cable out of Albert Museum said, the Queen's collection is the greatest in the world, and the the wall . . . 9 Alexander Dubcek, in greatest concentration is at Windsor. The fire, he added. could be "one of the great

the first exclusive extract from his autobiography, Hope Dies Last – in The Sunday Times

Dubcek – when the

**Soviets** 

stormed in

killed in front of our

eyes. At about 9am,

seven or eight Soviet

paratroopers and one

or two officers burst

🕳 A young civilian was

By Sarah Jane Checkland THE collapse of Christopher Lloyd, keeper of the Queen's touring exhibition. The greatwork in the royal library at Windsor, said: "This fire looks est fears were for the decoramuch worse than that at tive works of art that form the fabric of the building and Hampion Court. It has struck at the heart of the monarchy,

> grand rooms". Witnesses reported members of staff forming human chains to pass out precious

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of artworks and all these



Lloyd: taken to hospital after collapse

vases, ancient books, paintings and candelabra to safety, the state apartments was filling with works of art. Many of the major movable

works were understood to

have been taken from their

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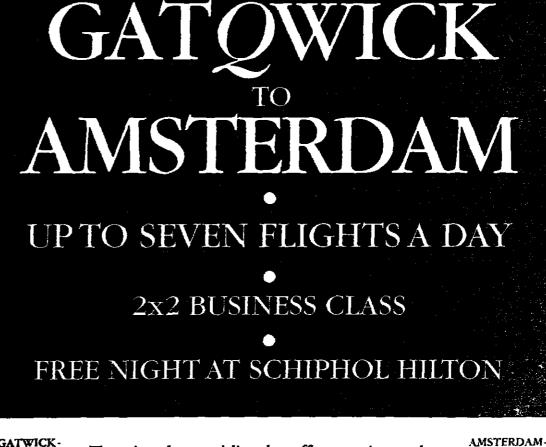
while the courtyard outside

cannot be moved. Those include ornate wood carvings in the King's Dining Room by Grinling Gibbons (1648-1720), master carver to King George I Carved in the form of exquisite flowers, fruit and game, often strung together in garlands and lestoons, such work was described by Hor-

ace Walpole, Gibbons's contemporary, as evoking "the loose and airy lightness of flowers" as well as chaining together "the various productions of the elements with the free disorder natural to the species". In Walpole's opinion he had no match. Also at risk in the King's Dining Room is a flamboyant

ceiling painting showing the banquet of the gods by Antonio Verrio (1630-1707), an Italian decorative painter who settled in England, working on a number of projects at Windsor, Hampton Court and Whitehall Palace.

As for the Queen's private chapel, in which the blaze seems to have started, the fire will have taken its toll on a building that was started in the reign of Elizabeth I and



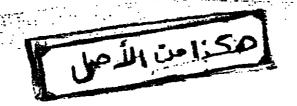
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The Lord Chancellor's department dealt with 191 cases

last year of child snatching

under the convention, which

covers only signatory countries

and children born within mar-

riage. Reunite, the only body which gives advice on the

problem, believes the total to

be nearer 1,200, many of

them with little chance of

returning since they are in

countries such as Italy, Greece,

Belgium and the Arab states,

who are not signatories to the

A former schools inspector

has been chosen as the first

Chief Inspector of magistrates

courts in England and Wales

Lord Mackay announced

Rosemary Melling, 54, a

present a senior member of

the National Health Service

training directorate, will be the Lord Chancellor's chief

business when the new Magis-

trates' Courts' Service Inspec-

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of the convention, to be held in torate comes into force next

governments.

Mackay seeks aid

to fight abductions

WIDER international co-

operation is needed to help to

combat child abduction, the

Lord Chancellor said

Lord Mackay of Clashiern

said he hoped that other

countries would improve their

procedures to the standards in

Britain so that abducted child-

Speaking last night on the

BBC's Public Eye programme.

he said that while there was

still room for improvement in

the legal procedures he felt

that Britain had a good stan-

dard of helping the return of

abducted children. "I hope

that others will be able, gradu-

ally, to improve their proce-

dures to reach the same kind

His department has seen a

12-fold rise in the number of

abductions in the past five years. Spain is chief among signatories in failing to imple-ment the rules of the Hague

which provides for abducted

children to be returned to their

country of residence. A review

The Hague next month, is

ren were returned quickly.

WEEKEND MUNEI

# Lodger sentenced to life for strangling boy in sex attack

By PETER VICTOR

The jury was told that one

night he crept from his

nine-year-old brother Jason.

said was an "extreme, sudden

Cochrane killed Matthew

because he had to silence any

screams that would have wo-

ken his brother or his parents.

After he was found guilty,

the court was told that six years

who were on the next floor.

served concurrently

"horrific" injuries.

A LODGER who crept into a sentenced to 15 years to be four-year-old boy's bedroom at night and strangled him into silence while sexually assault-ing him was jailed for life

NEMBER 2,

James Cochrane, 25, was found guilty of murdering Matthew Robinson at his parents' boarding house in Plymouth, Devon, in April. Mr Justice Leonard, sentencing at Exeter Crown Court. recommended that he should serve at least 25 years in jail.

Cochrane, a Maltese-born sailor's son, attacked Matthew two weeks after moving into the terraced boarding house. He had denied murder but

admitted committing a seri-ous sexual offence on Mat-thew, for which he was



#### Life for psychopath who preyed on girls

PSYCHOPATH who attacked schoolgirls after stalking them and studying their movements in a 19-year series of offences was given four life sentences at the Old Bailey

yesterday. Melvyn Philbert, 36, an actor, compiled details of proposed victims in his diary. He included the code "FS" and "OS" — meaning he intended to have full and oral sex. In one case, the phrase

which Philbert told detectives meant that he was prepared to-kill his planned 14-year-old victim if escape from her home became difficult.

Philbert, from Southwark. south London, a divorced man

By Julia Llewellan Smith

THE navy blue beret and

splintered spectacles that

were the trademarks of Benny

Hill's blithering buffoon sold

for £1,120 to an anonymous

bidder at a charity auction

More than 100 fans packed

the tiny auction house in

Ringwood, Hampshire, near

Mr Hill's home town of

Southampton to see a Mr Steinbeck pay £520 for the beret and £600 for the pair of damaged spectacles that Hill

wore in Fred Scuttle sketches.

Both were expected to fetch

Bidding on behalf of his

mystery client, Mr Steinbeck

also paid £300 for an original Franklin cartoon and £440 for

a fan letter to Mr Hill from

Phil Silvers, the American comedian better known as

The 54 lots on offer, made

up of pieces of Mr Hill's

furniture and personal memo-

rabilia, fetched a total of

£9,458, most of which will go

no more than £150.

Sergeant Bilko.

yesterday.

bodily harm, attempted rape, indecent assault, robbery, aggravated burglary and going equipped to steal. He asked the court to consider 12 more

David Walters, for the pros-ecution, said Philbert sometimes chose his victims from reports in local newspapers, followed the youngsters to their homes and plotted the family's movements to discover when the guls would be alone. He usually carried a knife, mask and gloves, and sometimes tape.

The court was told that he was arrested in May after he

Comic's beret caps auction

Hill: auction proceeds

to the Care appeal for Somalia at the request of Mr

Among the big bidders was Seth Rushby Kaye, a private collector from New York, who

paid £1,120 for six lots of

photographs of Mr Hill with

elebrities such as Burt Reyn-

olds and Bob Geldof, or

surrounded by the models

and actresses who made up

his Hill's Angels. Mr Kaye, who described himself as an

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Hill's family.

will help Somalia

ed of attempting to commit a serious sexual offence on a boy of nearly four and was put on probation for two years.

ground-floor room to the un-Before yesteray's verdict, Paul Chadd, for the prosecuocked first-floor bedroom Matthew shared with his tion, said that a psychiatrist who saw Cochrane after Mar-Cochrane, unemployed, car-ried out what a paediatrician thew's murder described him as "a very dangerous man indeed. He told the court and brutal" sex assault on the Matthew suffered a "time of sleeping Matthew causing hell" at Cochrane's hands.

In a second report, prepared after documents were found in Cochrane's cell, the psychia-trist said he would remain a serious danger for perhaps as long as he was capable of

sexual arousal.

The judge, recommending a minimum 25-year jail term, said he hoped that it would bring Cochrane "to the situation where it is unlikely you will have a desire which pro-duced the terrible facts of this

Det Supt Malcolm Court, who led the murder enquiry, said the case had been the worst possible for anyone to invest gate. Everyone had been "dis usted" by Cochrane's actions

Christine Robinson, Mat-thew's mother, said after the hearing that a system of checks should be introduced to prevent another tragedy involving people with previous convictions for serious sex "There must be some liaison

between social services, housng and the probation service. They should be saying that we don't recommend this person stay with you because you have small children," she said.

We will never recover from Matthew's death, but he is with me eternally. I do feel responsible for letting Cochrane in the front door and not kicking him out when I had the chance, but I don't feel guilty." She described Cochrane as

time bomb waiting to go off from the minute he walked into their house.

Mrs Robinson said the family wanted to sell up and go home to Australia with Matthew's ashes, which they planned to scatter in the garden of their new home so he would always be with them. "Matthew was a fragile butterfly, beautiful and vulner-

"eclectic collector", said: "I'm doubly thrilled to have ac-quired these lots, and to

acknowledge Mr Hill's family

for being willing to donate their proceeds to Care."

Most of Mr Hill's devotees

were attending their first

nuction and many com-

plained of being squeezed out by the big collectors. "I think

this Mr Steinbeck is very

greedy to snap up so much and leave nothing for the

ordinary fans," said one

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able," she said. "He was so expressive and loving. He would look for me in the had molested girls who were nouse, put his hands on my on a school outing to the cheeks and say Oh I do love with two daughters, admitted National History Museum. you'."



Grieving mother: Christine Robinson at a press conference yesterday

#### Schoolboy admits shops

By Kate Alderson

A BOY of 14 who tried to obtain £20,000 by threatening to blow up two supermarkets and their managers' homes was told by a judge yesterday to "go away and rebuild your life".

The boy, who attends an independent school in Reading and was wearing his school tie and blazer, told Judge John Rogers QC at the Central Criminal Court that he had intended to keep the money in a garden shed for when he was older.

The court was told that more than 30 police officers were called in to trap blackmailer. They waited at the designated pick-up point behind a store in Ealing, west London, on May 30. The boy was arrested at midnight after he appeared and grabbed a bag that he

thought held the cash. He had typed out black-mail letters and made only one spelling mistake, despite being dyslexic. He sent them to Sainsbury's and Waitrose supermarkets near his home in West Ealing on May 27 this year, demanding £10,000 from each. The notes to the stores' managers, threatening to blow up their homes, ended: "So no police and you will not

Judge Rogers gave the boy a conditional discharge for three years after he admitted two offences of blackmail. The judge said: "I would like to think that you understand the terrible thing you did." He was concerned about the boy's cold deliberation" in plan-

ning the crimes. median from London, paid A conditional discharge £110 for a signed self portrait of the music hall star George was wholly inadequate but the Criminal Justice Act Robey. Mr Parker said: "Benhad tied his hands. Probany is my role model, he's the tion and psychiatric reports master technician. He had showed that a custodial the most expressive face, he sentence was not appropricould say a thousand words ate, but there was no with his eyes."
Mr Hill died in April, aged
67. The Benny Hill Show was sentence in between. He added that the boy should be supervised, but kept in broadcast in more than 100 the community.

"I suggest you go away, try to rebuild your life and countries and is still shown nightly in the United States. His fans include Michael don't do anything like this Jackson and Clint Eastwood.

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#### The tellers of tall tales who know no limits

By RONALD FAUX

DEREK Martin is a retired monarch's crown was actually aircraft inspector by trade and a liar by inclination. According to judges at an annual competition in Wasdale, Cumbria, the tall, scholarly looking man from Preston is the

biggest har in the world. The contest from which politicians, clergy and estate agents are banned because they are thought to be merely economical with the truth, has been held for more than a century. This year's event attracted a man from Kansas or at least so he claimed, for nothing can be taken at face value. He won third prize.
It is not the he itself but the

way it is told that impresses the

judges. Mr Martin's compli-

Reg White's cap worn back to front as a headache preventer won massive approval. In the past, the competition has attracted television crews from Japan and America and

journalists from Russia fasci-

nated by this display of Eng-

lish eccentricity.

The story recalled with greatest glee by the liars of Wasdale is the time when the late Tommy Purdan, a farmer, stood up from the audience and declared that, although he was not taking part in the competition, he would like to make a few remarks. The cameras stopped rolling and the television lights went out. He was, of course, lying and



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Images of elegance: but the perfume industry says that the mystique promoted through its advertising will be destroyed by sales of its products in discount shops

# Whiff of scandal drifts across perfume counters

By KATE ALDERSON

DIRTY tricks, unofficial supply routes and middlemen have become watchwords, in the world of perfume, which prefers to portray images of beauty, seduction and bliss.

Attempts by unauthorised retailers to obtain supplies and by perfume houses to frustrate them can be expected to intensify in the weeks before Christmas. The retailers, who sell at discounts of up to 30 per cent, have been stocking shelves for the coming month. when most perfume is sold.

■ The Monopolies and Mergers Commission will spend the next nine months investigating the world of perfumes, whose glamorous image has been tarnished

The investigation into the perfume industry announced by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on Thursday could threaten the large profit margins of the fragrance houses and shatter their image

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from the start of business on 23rd November 1992.

unauthorised retailers scurry about the "grey market" in Europe. America and the East in search of wholesalers willing to supply them. This is not illegal but the fragrance houses do everything they can to stop them. Retailers had to learn quick-

ly about the grey market. estimated to be worth £600 million worldwide, when fragrance houses such as Chanel. Parfums Givenchy and Christian Dior refused to supply them because they were thought too downmarket and could "ruin the dream".

One buyer, who wished to be anonymous, said: "The fragrance houses have been very unsuccessful at stopping the grey market. For the past six months I have been travelling around Europe, in the main, looking for wholesalers and middlemen who can sell me the full range of fine fragrances. Their supplies come from the perfume houses, and then the wholesalers sell it to me. It is virtually impossible for the perfume houses to find out which of the wholesalers are supplying

THE government has dis-

tanced itself from any radical

proposals for a shake-up of the

BBC in its green paper on the

secretary, has said that the

green paper will set the terms of the debate about the renew-

al of the BBC's royal charter in

1996, rather than make policy

recommendations. Mr Brooke

believes that it is too early for

the government to set in stone

any plans for the future of

broadcasting, given a prolifer-

ation of commercial channels

published on Monday.

sacked some its distributors who broke its rules. "I'm buying from around a

dozen suppliers at the moment. These guys are very secretive. When they ring me up in the office, they use an lias." Other ways in which distributors cover their tracks include removing or defacing tracer codes on the packaging. The buyer said: "It is very

easy to get certain perfumes on the market and it does appear that some fragrance houses are not trying too hard to stop it. At the end of the day it's all - and of course

publicity." A spokesman from Parfurns Givenchy said: "Superdrug, for example, does not have the right image. It's a discount toiletries retailer. We spend a lot of money training our staff and providing the right envi-

ronment for our customers. Do you want to know that you have been given a cut-price gift for Christmas or a top

luxury good?" Givenchy, like some other fragrance houses, has a checklist to assess whether a shop is suitable to stock its products Criteria include length of windows, whether the floor-covering is linoleum or marble and

the size of mirrors. Spoiling tactics by some fragrance houses have been alleged by Superdrug in its submission to the Office of Fair Trading. They include one perfume house demanding that Superdrug reveal its sources, claiming it believed that its product might have been stolen. An executive from another house arrived at a Superdrug store with £2,500 in cash and tried to buy back

greater good than a pro-longed life with more pain. This kind of structure is essential to other motal dilemmas. In a just was it is morally legitimate to aim at an arms factory, even if some civilians in the surrounding area will be killed. It is intrinsically wrong to aim at civilians who are not directly contributing to the threaten the new ITV comwar effort. However, even panies, which jointly face an when an attack on a military target is called for the annual bill from the Treasury of almost £500 million after naces have to be

> weigh any possible good. Some people wish to collapse the distinction between what is directly intended and what is foreseen but unintended. But the distinction is essential to Christian moral theology. Though it is disputable it is also defendable. As far as medical ethics are concerned, the distinction between deliberately killing

and letting a person die

weighed. In some circum-

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# A painful search (WO-

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But what counts as ordi nary? Feeding someone would normally be regarded Motives need to be distinguished from the objective as ordinary and therefore obligatory. But artificially feeding someone in a persisintention of an action and consequences. Our motives are known only to not, I believe, carry that God but an action can be judged right or wrong. Furthermore, Christian moral

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the person out of pain, is exception, when a perwhether it makes no diffe ence whether their death is by an intravenous bubble or by withdrawal of ordinary means, such as food and liquid. If a person feels no suffering and is aware of no human presence; if, as far as they are concerned, it makes no difference whether the are hastened on their way by an act of commission of omission: if they are beyond all forms of care - then in this situation dying might be hastened by appropriate

It is a troublesome question whether a person in a persistent vegetative state is still a person or simply a living carcass. The judge. Sir Stephen Brown, said of Tony Bland: "His spirit has left him and all that remains difficult to avoid slipping into a kind of body-mind dualism that is inimical to modern philosophy and theology, as well as medicine. But here it seems to be

Our duty towards the dying is to accompany them on their way and not abandon them before their time. But if a person has already gone, that obligation no longer exists.

called for.

#### Green paper opens up debate on BBC future

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK, MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

The government intends there to be a wide public

consultation process in the six

months after the publication

of the BBC. Only in late 1993

or early 1994 will it make its

views known in a white paper.

ting out alternatives for fund-

ing the corporation, will offer

implicit support for continua-tion of the licence fee, at least

until the end of the decade.

Mr Brooke has conceded that

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#### British climber lost in jungle air crash

By Harvey Elliott, air correspondent

RELATIVES of a British mountaineer are dinging to the hope that he and his wife are alive almost a week after the Vietnam Airlines jet in which they were travelling crashed into thick jungle during a thunderstorm.

Hamish Emmerson, 38, and his French-born wife Sylvie, who live in Abu Dhabi, were heading from Ho Chi Minh City to the seaside resort of Nha Trang during a holiday when the three-engined jet, a Russian-built Yak 40. went down.

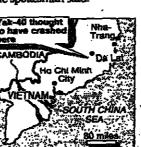
Mr Emmerson's sister, Eliz-abeth Hart, said last night: "If anyone could survive it was Hamish and Sylvie. He has spent a great deal of time in the Himalayas and is trained in survival. His wife is a doctor who works for Médecins sans Frontières.

The family learnt of the crash on Monday and know that the plane left Ho Chi Minh City for the 280-mile flight to Nha Trang, where a ing. It is believed to have come down on a 5,000ft high mountain

A Foreign Office spokes-man said yesterday that a senior diplomat had been sent to work with the Vietnamese authorities.

Helicopters were unable to make a detailed search, but a man was lowered on a winch and found wreckage from the aircraft in the branches of the trees and some damage to the jungle canopy. "The only way to reach the site would appear to be on foot, which will mean hacking through the jungle," the spokesman said.





much by what is not said as by what is. The argument propogated by Roger Gale, Tory MP for Thanet North and chairman of the party's backbench media committee.

last year's licence auction.

Subscription is given more

but heritage officials doubt

whether such a system, which

could cost the BBC as much as

£200 million to implement,

would ensure that two main-

stream channels with a public

service remit were adequately

Subscription would require decoders and changes to tele-

vision sets and would need to

be updated constantly to keep ahead of developments in pirate technology. Pro-

gramme budgets could suffer unless subscription charges were significantly higher than the annual £80 licence fee.

thinking will be provided as

funded.

that BBC1 and BBC2 should merge, will be virtually ig-nored. However, Mr Brooke and his colleagues are thought to be more sympathetic to the idea of closing some radio stations, including Radios 1 and 2 and some local stations. The green paper draws no Mr Brooke is expected to

pour cold water on Melvyn Bragg's call for an "arts coun-cil of the airwaves", which would give out licence fee money to commercial stations as well as the BBC. Sir Michael Checkland, the outgoing BBC director-general, and his successor, John Birt. are privately worried by the Public Service Broadcasting Council proposal, believing that the BBC would be destroyed as funding slowly ebbed away. The corporation will present its own 90-page document on Wednesday.

# Price of Lely paintings soars

THE auction record for the 17th century English court artist Sir Peter Lely soared at Christie's yesterday when two portraits sold for £396,000 and £286,000 respectively to an апопутоиз buyer (Sarah Jane Checkland writes). The previous record had been £70,400 in July 1990, and the result shows Lely catching up with his contemporaries Van Dyck and Frans Hals, whose records are £880.000 .000,0803 bns

The paintines. A Girl playing a Theorbo-Lute and A Man playing a Violin were from a series of six Historical Compositions of musicians by the artist, two of which are in the Tate Gallery. Having passed by descent from the first Lord Craven, an important patron of van Dyck and Lely, their authorship had been forgotten by the 18th century and Horace Walpole described them as Five Italian Musicians by Francis Halls. Yesterday, the

Daniel McLean McDonald, founder of BSR, the hi-fi components manufacturer, and inventor of a device for stacking gramophone records. A third painting from the set, showing a young man playing a lute and thought by Christie's to be a portrait of the artist, went unsold at £50,000.

Born in Holland in 1618, Lely came to England in the early 1640s, offering a line in figure compositions and landscapes. He soon turned to the more profitable field of portraiture and became the leading exponent of his field. He is associated chiefly with the Restoration court of Charles II, where he was

Principal Painter.

A writing desk, said to be made for Napoleon's use during his exile on St Helena. sold for £165,000, or four times its estimate, at Sotheby's yesterday, to a Swiss foundation.



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#### Compromise aims to avoid schism

# Bishop drafts plans for two-tier church

By Ruth Gledhill, religion correspondent

PROPOSALS to enable disaffected Anglicans to remain within the Church of England are being drawn up by the Bishop of London, Dr David Hope. He led 12 bishops yesterday in issuing a statement that acknowledged the considerable anxiety, distress and hurt" felt by many laity and clergy after last week's General Synod vote to ordain

in an interview with The Times last night, Dr Hope said that he was considering a system of "episcopal visitors". by which bishops who opposed women priests would travel between dioceses to ordain priests and do confirmations where local priests were unable to accept the authority of a diocesan bishop

who ordained women. Dr Hope aims to draw up a formula that will enable traditionalists to remain in the church. His plans emerged as The Tablet published a survey of 300 Roman Catholic priests which showed one third in

favour of women priests. Tra-ditionalists who defect to the Catholic Church could be surprised by the support for women priests.

Dr Hope, the third most senior bishop, said that he would work from proposals in the Ripon Paper, published last year. This would mean, in effect, a two-tier Church of England but would avoid schism or the creation of a "church within a church".

His scheme will be greeted with relief by Anglo-Catholics and evangelicals who oppose women priests but feel that their opposition is expected to blow over as the legislation progresses through Parliament. Dr Hope is keen to take such opposition seriously in the hope of avoiding schism, dismits and mass determine. distrily and mass defections

to the Catholic Church. Bishops who voted against the legislation last week said in a statement yesterday: "We understand and sympathise with those who now feel uncertain and unsure as to

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their long-term future within the Church of England. It is

difficult to see how the legisla-

tion, as drafted, can be made

to work effectively." They will press the House of Bishops at

its meeting next January to make "adequate provision"

make "adequate provision" for opponents.

The Catholic bishops' conference gave a qualified encouragement to members of the Church of England considering a move to Rome. The Right Rev Cormac Murphy-O'Connor, Bishop of Arundel and Brighton and chairman of the bishops' conference committee on Christian unity, said: "We would want to do

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what we can to help." Howev-

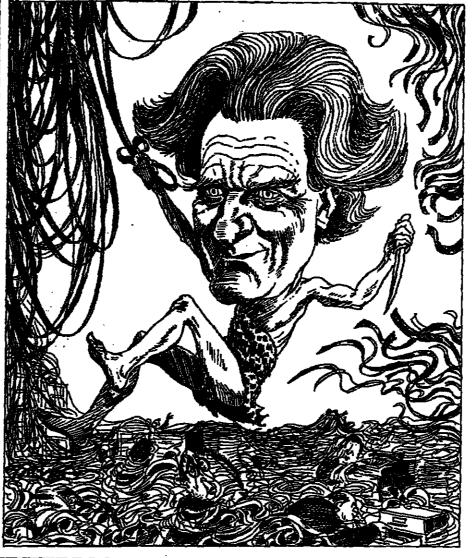
er, there was more to becom-ing a Catholic than opposing

The bishops issued a state-

ment expressing "profound regret" at the General Synod

decision because it reinforced

obstacles to the reconciliation



#### Heseltine joins drive to reduce red tape

By Nicholas Wood, political correspondent

THE prime minister is to increase his efforts to free business from needless restrictions imposed by Whitehall and Brussels regulations.

John Major is to chair a seminar of all government departments in the new year aimed at giving greater impe-tus to his crusade against red tape. Meanwhile, the trade and industry department is to conduct surveys of firms to identify petty rules hampering innovation and expansion. Talks are also to be held with

business leaders. The decisions were taken resterday at a meeting at Downing Street involving Mr Major, Michael Heseltine, the president of the board of trade, Norman Lamont, the Chan-cellor, and Neil Hamilton, the corporate affairs minister at he trade department. Lord Sainsbury of Preston

Candover, who retired this month as chairman of the Sainsbury supermarket com-pany, is to be Mr Heseltine's personal adviser on scrapping

Mr Heseltine has already asked every Whitehall department to draw up, by the end of the year, a list of all regulations

Departments, which each have a minister responsible for deregulation, will then have to set out their plans for simplify-ing the rule-book. "As you can imagine, it is quite a long list and it will take quite some time to compile," a trade department source said. That will form a mechanism for systematic and continuous review of regulation."

The high-powered nature of the ministerial group overseeing the attempt to reduce bureaucratic obstacles is being taken as a sign of Mr Major's determination to flesh out his promises. The government campaign against red tape dates from 1985, but it has been given a higher priority by Mr Heseltine and Mr Major. Mr Hamilton is meeting all the Whitehall ministers individually to review progress.

At the Conservative party conference last month, Mr Major said that the govern-ment was "on the march against the Eurocrat and his sheaf of directives" and that he wanted to prune Whitehall and town hall red tape. He said he was appointing Mr Heseltine, popularly known as Tarzan, to hack through the

#### Libya given warning on bomb pair

By A STAFF REPORTER

THE prime minister has spo-ken of the "increasingly serious" consequences for Libya if two men suspected of carrying out the Lockerbie bombing are not surrendered to the Scottish or American

in a reply to a written question from John Greenway. Conservative MP for Ryedale, John Major said that there could be "no question of any relaxation of UN sanc-tions" until Libya handed over the two men and satisfied French demands for co-opera-tion into a separate bombing. If Libya could convince Britain that it had decided to surrender the two, "then we would be willing to meet them to discuss the mechanics".

Mr Major said that be could report some "limited success" in achieving Libyan compli-ance with UN resolutions demanding an end to assistance to terrorist groups. He said that Libya had closed many of its training camps and provided information on its links with the IRA which 'may prove useful"

Mr Major denied that the government was using the ssue of the two suspects as an excuse to attack the authority of Colonel Gaddafi. "We have no hidden agenda, and we are not seeking to undermine the regime in Libya."

#### Tory whip halts bill on Masons

BY SHETLA GUNN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

A LABOUR MP said last night that he will persist with his campaign to force those in public life to declare member-ship of the Freemasons, after a government whip blocked his bill in the Commons.

When Chris Mullin's Secret Societies (Declaration) bill came up for second reading, a shout of "object" by Greg Knight, Conservative MP for Derby North, returned it to the queue of measures intro-duced by backbench MPs. The bill stands no chance of becoming law this session without government support. Mr Mullin, Labour MP for

Sunderland South, protested at Mr Knight's action, but appeared undeterred in his campaign to compel MPs, councillors, the judiciary, police officers and other public servants to declare member-ship of "secret" societies such as Masonic lodges. In 1986, a questionnaire

was sent to MPs asking if those in public life should declare their membership of the Freemasons. John Major should, Mr Mulin said.

His bill defines secret societies as organisations that are closed to the public, with a private membership list and where a commitment to secrecy and allegiance is taken.

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#### Irish Mr Integrity yearns for a seat

By EDWARD GORMAN, IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

M ichael McDowell, the eminent lawyer, chairman of the Progressive Democrats and the Mr Integrity of Irish politics, is probably the country's most powerful unelected politician. Failing to get a seat for a second time in cession next Wednesday will be particularly frustrat-ing. However, it is a likely outcome in Dublin South-East, a constituency dominated by Fianna Fail, Fine Gael and Labour.

The Democrats' chairman has had to sit on the sidelines while other members of the party led by Des O'Malley have played an important part in the coalition with Fianna Fail. There is no doubt, however, that his behind the scenes influence was crucial to the way the coalition developed, particularly through moments such as the ousting in January of Charles the former Fianna Fail leader, and the decision two weeks ago to pull out of government and precipitate the election.

The Democrat chairman denies that he was really the hidden hand guiding his party through a tempestuous marriage with Fianna Fáil. "I was largely a spectator. There is this notion that I'm the chief ideologist on the politbureau, but it's not true." Mr McDowell's struggle to be elected reflects the wider difficulty the Demo-

crats have experienced in trying to maintain their

footbold in Irish politics.

Having surpassed their

wildest expectations in their first election in 1987. when they returned 14 members after walking out of Fianna Fáil in protest at the way the party was run. they have since slumped and held only six seats in the last Dáil.

This time they are again running on the 'high standards in high places" plat-form, with policies on tax reform to stimulate employment, women's rights, the environment and constitutional reform. But the party seems to have had difficulty convincing voters it is there to stay and many seem to resent the dispro portionately powerful role it played in the last

While Mr McDowell hopes for between nine and 11 seats this time, including one for himself, the opinion polls that put the Democrats on 6 per cent indicate the party may even lose a seat or two.

It looks destined to continue as a minor player in coalition governments, something which could kill it in the end. But Mr. McDowell denies that his party could be facing political extinction. He has not ruled out going back with Fianna Fail in the immediate future, but his preference would be for a threeway coalition with Fine Gael and Labour. The country needs a change There's a big appetite for change. The best prospect is for some form of interparty government."

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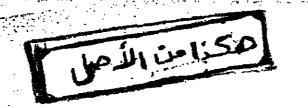
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#### Yugoslav sanctions tightened

## Western allies order full naval blockade

European nations are impatient with attacks on their troops and the flouting of sanctions. Now they are getting tough with Belgrade

#### By JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

NATO yesterday agreed to enforce the United Nations trade embargo on the rump Yugoslavia, giving its vessels in the Adriatic power to stop and search merchant ships suspected of violating the ban. a spokesman said in Brussels. The Western European Union defence group meeting in Rome also ordered a full navai blockade in the Adriatic.

Both decisions came after French UN troops fired back when they were shot at on humanitarian aid convoy at Bosanska Krupa in northwest Bosnia, a UN official said in Zagreb, the Croatian capital.

launched a heavy artillery attack on the suburbs of Travnik in eastern Bosnia, apparently to try to open a corridor towards Sarajevo. British UN troops in Vitez, near Travnik, sent two Warrior armoured cars to investi-

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diate disengagement. To put

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Under the rules of engage

ment, before British soldiers

retaliate, the target must be properly identified. London

has made clear that soldiers

may not fire "in the general

direction" of the attackers.

The Serbs are taking advan-

tage of these restrictions.

Eventually the British troops

may have to cross Serb lines

to deliver aid via the main

road, once the safer tracks

through the mountains be-

come impassable. At that

stage, the UN rules may be-

come more pertinent, since

soldiers will have to pass

tact with Serb fighters is

mortar fire from the dark-

ness or shell fire from a

dozen miles away. British

troops have fired back only

once, when a reconnaissance

party ran into heavy gunfire

near Rebenica. On Thurs-

day night, there was no

return of fire because it was

impossible to tell who was

targeting the convoy.

At present, the only con-

through Serb checkpoints.

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#### Shots in the dark disarm UK troops

FROM MICHAEL EVANS IN KLADANI

STANDING outside the temporary British forward base for supplying Tuzla in northern Bosnia-Herzegovina. The Cheshire Regiment captain put it succincity: "This is a dodgy area."

Three miles from one of the Serb front lines, we were kept awake by a machinegun operator who seemed to have parked his weapon near the hotel bedroom window. Artillery and mortar fire could be heard.

In this war zone, British soldiers are expected to keep to the rules of engagement set out by the United Nations and approved by London. They have the right to open fire if fired on, to protect themselves and those under their charge.
These rules of engage-

ment have no logic here. Soldiers cannot retaliate if attacked by a Serb gun position over a mile away. If a British infantryman on the road between Tuzla and Kladanj is attacked from the wooded hills, he can do nothing. As the ambush ten miles from Kladanj on Thursday night proved. Thursday while escorting a

Serb forces yesterday

Muslim and Croat forces and is an important centre for In Rome, the WEU also

appealed to countries along the Danube to guarantee "the rigid implementation of the content of the UN resolutions". The WEU said it was ready to offer knowledge, technical assistance and material to impede violation of the Naval and air forces of the

WEU "will begin direct opera-tions to ensure the rigid imple-mentation of the naval embargo ... including stop-and-search actions and other necessary measures", it said in a statement, Italy, the current WEU chairman, called for the number of naval vessels operating in the Adriatic under WEU auspices to be increased

from five to seven.
Earlier, Michalis Papaconstantinou, the Greek foreign minister, signed a protocol admitting Greece as a full member of the WEU, widening the fleetling sale of the ing the fledgling role of the organisation as the defence arm of the European Community. Greece's membership requires ratification by the other nine members - Britain, Germany. Italy. Spain, Portugal, Belgium, France, Luxembourg and The Nether-lands. It is thought ratification will be used to exert pressure on Athens to end suspected Greek violations of the embargo on the former Yugoslavia. diplomatic sources said.

The foreign and defence ministers of Turkey, Norway and Iceland were late yesterday to sign agreements making them associate members of the WEU. Denmark and Ireland, although full EC members, have agreed only to

observer status. In Belgrade yesterday Slobodan Milosevic, the hardline Serbian leader, announced that he world stand for re-election in a December

Letters, page 15 | direct presidential rule.



Relief column: British soldiers in a Sultan armoured vehicle escort United Nations food aid to Tuzla in Bosnia

#### Yeltsin gets backing of parliament

FROM ANNE McELVOY IN MOSCOW

RUSSIA'S conservative parliament, which had been threatened by President Yeltsin with dissolution if it continued to thwart his reform plans, yesterday extended a sudden olive branch, saying that it was ready to co-operate with the government at the Congress of People's Deputies a week on Monday.

A statement declaring that the parliament "resolutely favoured co-operation" with the president and government and promising to bear the reform package was passed with only eight votes against it. Earlier this week President Yeltsin had pledged to "de-fend the people's will", even if that meant disbanding the parliament and introducing

#### Hitler paintings go under the hammer after Florence rebuff

By JOHN PHILLIPS

TWENTY watercolours by Adolf Hitler were to be anctioned last night after the city of Florence, responding to feelings of outrage in Germany, backed off from a suggestion they be displayed in the Uffizi Gallery.

The stark postcard style views of churches and buildings in Vienna and Munich were painted by Hitler before the first world war. They were being auctioned in Trieste as a single lot by the Stadion sale rooms at the request of Imelde Siviero, the widow of the late collector Rodolfo Sivience who got them from Marting Bormann, Hitler's

personal secretary. The bidding if there are potential purchasers will be presided over by Stephen Cristea, the Builish auction eer, and will start at a minimum reserve price of 400

million lire (£192,000). Pierluigi Baldini, the Florence alderman for culture, stirred up a storm on Tuesday by saying the city, where Signora Siviero lives, wanted to dis-

play the watercolours in the Uffizi among Renaissance masters such as Botticefli, Michelangelo and Raphael. Signor Baldini was quoted as saying the Uffizi might dedicate a room especially to works recovered from Germany by Siviero, who died

nine years ago and is described by the Italian press as "a true 007 of art". Ulrich Roloff-Momin,the Berlin city alderman for culture, protested to the Florence exhibition would be "an intol-

the mayor of Florence, said on

Thursday that the Uffizi definitely would not exhibit the paintings, which he described as ugly.
Rosalia Manno Tolu, the

superintendent for archives in Florence, has persuaded the culture ministry to issue and injunction preventing the watercolours leaving country and giving the Italian state the right to their compulsory purchase within three months, whatever the outcome of the auction. The injunction described the watercolours as an ideal, illuminating and coherent preface to the official painting of the Third Reich".

Alberto Ronchey, minister for cultural beritage, seems unlikely to take advantage of the injunction. Signor Ronchey said the artwork is of interest to psychiatry or criminal anthropology".

#### Romanian dictator's son freed on parole

Bucharest: A Romanian court yesterday decided to release Nicu Ceausescu, son of the late communist tuler. Nicolae Ceausesen, on parole because of his serious ill-health Nion Ceausescu, 41, was

arrested at the beight of Romania's December 1989 revolution in connection with the killing by security forces of 91 people in the central city of Sibiu, where he was regional

Communist party boss. He was sentenced in 1990 to 20 years' imprisonment for mass murder and a firearms charge. The murder conviction was overturned last August, leaving him with only a five-year term for illegal gun possession. He could be re-leased next week, if prosecu tors waive their right to appeal against the ruling. (Reuter)

#### Pacts signed

Tirana: Albania said it had signed agreements with Tur-key, a Nato member, to co-op-erate on defence technology and military training. It added that fighting in the former Yugoslavia risked igniting new conflicts elsewhere in the Balkans. (Reuter)

#### Enmity ends

Seoul: President Yeltsin of Russia has ended his South Korean visit saying that the two countries, once bitter Cold war enemies, have embarked on a new "unbreakable rela-tionship". He also signed deals to strengthen the countries military ties (Reuter)

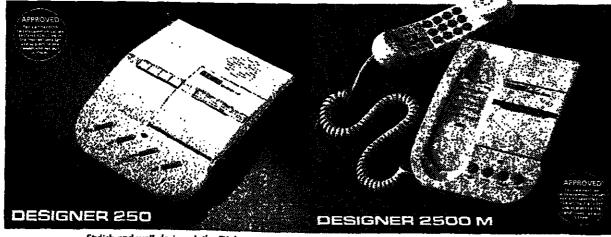
#### Mafia targeted

Palermo: Italy has seized Maha assets worth 500 billion lire (£250 million) by freezing bank accounts and confiscating cars and boats. The operation's chief target was the Madonia family, said to be No 2 in the Cosa Nostra hierarchy. (AP)

#### Petain rethink

Jerusalean: President Mitter-rand said in Israel that France should rectinater its tradition or honousing Marshal Pé-fants first world war service, consider its later role in the Vi-chy republic offended victims of the Mazis (Reuter)

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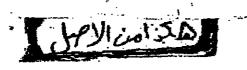
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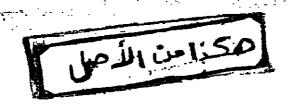
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# Threat of Paris veto is final obstacle to global trade deal



Mitterrand: trapped by farmers and EC

breakthrough nounced by European Community and American negotiators last night gives the world trade talks a more vigorous push than they have enjoyed for two years, but is only the first step in a sequence political manoeuvring

needed for a global deal. A day and half of talks in Washington ended the paralysis which has held up work on a new General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) treaty since autumn 1990. The deadlock has been so long and difficult to break that the US-EC dispute over oilseeds and wheat has hidden the true scale of what is at stake. The eighth, so-cailed "Uruguay" round of talks to dismantle trade barriers is the first since Gan was founded after the second world war to attempt the mammoth task of shrink-

he success or failure of the round, begun in the Uruguay-

Martin Fletcher in Washington and George Brock in Brussels look at the long-term political and economic implications of the trade accord reached between the United States and Europe

an port of Punta del Este in 1986. gradually came to hinge on the struggle over farm subsidies. As deadline after deadline for a settlement drifted by, the transatlantic tussle for supremacy in food export markets threatened to sink the whole endeavour. Although for a long time a Gatt treaty has appeared to turn on Washington and Brussels, it ought eventually to rewrite the rules for the 108 participating states.

Three factors underscored the urgancy of a Gatt deal at the beginning of this autumn. The spiralling recession across the industrialised world has

focused attention on every possible way of reviving economic growth. Economists have estimated that a new Gatt treaty could boost world trade by \$200 billion a year, although the gains might take a decade to be fully realised.

Secondly, the wider Gatt talks became entangled in a technically separate argument between America and the EC over Europe's subsidised oilseed production, twice condemned by neutral Gant tribunals. Pushed by its impatient soya bean lobby, the Bush administration announced that European white wine would be hit by punitive

Spurred by the looming deadline, talks quickened.

But the summering political crisis between France and its EC partners which was stirred by the prospect of a deal is by no means over. The Socialist government, almost certain to ose power in elections next March, is trapped between its mutinous farmers and its angry EC neighbours. President Mitterrand has invested more political capital in the Maastricht treaty on economic and political union than any other leader in the Com-

If France vetoes - as it effectively can - the deal negotiated in Washington or later in Geneva, the EC's crisis of identity and coherence will deepen and Maastricht's chances of coming into force shrink accordingly. But if France accepts the deal for the sake of peace among the EC Twelve, its farmers will declare

have betrayed them.

But French ministers can obstruct the deal on three occasions already written into the EC calendar for the next month. The government in Paris has already said that it will ask its National Assembly for an opinion on a deal. The inevitable hostile response may force French ministers to use their veto. EC foreign ministers meet on December 7 and may be asked to approve their negotiators progress. Four days later EC leaders fly to Edinburgh for a summit whose agenda is already crowded with conten-

tious items. In Washington last night officials said they hoped resolution of the farm subsidies dispute would "pump some much needed adrenalin" into Gatt's negotiating body. With very intensive work in Geneva it is possible to meet the March I deadline," one

great deal of commitment, a great deal of effort and a lot of luck." March 1 is the last day on which the American president can notify Congress of his intention to enter the Uruguav round agreement under his so-called "fast track authority". That authority means Congress would have either to accept the agreement in its entirety, or - extremely unlikely - reject it in its entirety. The chances of getting it through Congress would be greatly diminished if the deadline was not met

It is now thought unlikely that a Uruguay round agree-ment could be completed in time for President Bush to notify Congress before he leaves office on January 20, but earlier fears that Bill Clinton, his Democratic successor, would want to renegotiate the agreement have largely disappeared.

The issues still to be resolved

in Geneva have not had the farm subsidies dispute, but several are nevertheless emotive and problematic. They involve across-the-board agreements on tariff reductions, prying open the Japanese rice market and surmounting America's desire to protect its shipping industry. Western countries want greater safeguards against Third World "pirating" of intellectual property rights. and greater access for their service industries to places such as Japan and South

A particular concern of the tariffication". London is fighting a rearguard action to preserve an arrangement whereby it allows preferential access to lower-quality, higherpriced bananas from former Commonwealth islands in the Caribbean that produce little

# UK seizes on Gatt accord to rebuff European critics

Europe may have overcome the dispute with America that was blocking a world trade deal. But France and Germany are still leading attacks on Britain and its presidency of the EC

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor, and Our Foreign Staff

getting a Gatt agreement, the British government yesterday rebuffed French and German criticism of Britain's presidency of the European Community, insisting that it was well placed to make decisive progress at the Edinburgh

John Major and Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary. reacted sharply to comments by Dominique Strauss-Kahn, the French industry and foreign trade minister, who said that he could not wait for the end of Britain's presidency. The British reaction also embraced Günter Verheugen. chairman of the German Bundestag's European affairs committee, who said Britani's presidency was "turning out more and more to be a disaster

Hailing the "landmark" agreement covering farm price subsidies. Mr Major invited his critics to look at what was being achieved cadership Next month's Edinburgh summit, he said, was likely to see the conclusion of the single market, "the most important thing that the Community has wanted for a long time".

"Here, under the British presidency after six years of negotiations, we have finally got a settlement between Europe and the United States on the Gatt round. I suggest people wait and see what the outcome is at Edinburgh before they prejudge us," the

prime minister added.

Mr Hurd said France had agreed at the Birmingham summit to push for a Gatt agreement. The French govemment had real difficulties. but those in political difficulties "sometimes use exaggerat-

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TRUMPETING its role in ed language". He pointed out that Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, had said at the recent Anglo-German summit that the British government was doing everything possible to ratify the Maastricht treaty and that Germany understood the realities of life in Britain and Denmark.

The bitterness of continental criticism, echoing angry comments by many members of the European parliament in Strasbourg this week, is almost unprecedented. Herr Verheugen said the British presidency was "not in any way fulfilling its leading and co-ordinating function" and that the government, for domestic political reasons, was allowing the time-bomb of Danish objections to Maasmicht to go on lying around. In Herr Verheugen's view, the risks of the collapse of European political and economic union were now greater than

the chances of completion. His views are widely shared German politicans on all sides, although ministers and



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opposition leaders alike have so far been careful not to express those views in public. Bonn was particularly dismayed by the British decision to put off ratification of Maastricht until after a new referendum in Denmark.

M Strauss-Kahn said of the British presidency: "It is the most calamitous that I have seen in my time in government. They have a way of presiding over the Commun-ity which puts it at a great disadvantage with the Amer-

Mr Hurd said in a BBC radio interview that he could have wished things would have gone "better and easier and quicker, but life is like that". He said that the EC was not making progress as fast as Britain wanted, "but the progress is in the right Jean-Luc Dehaene, Bel-

gium's prime minister, has urged Mr Major to put a debate on how to reverse Europe's economic downturn on the agenda of the Edin-burgh summit. The European Commission this week revised its estimate of the Community's 1993 economic growth rate to below 1 per cent, down from less than 1.2 per cent in 1992. "The increase in unemployment that several of our countries face requires special

He said the EC leaders must give clear signals to stock markets and companies to restore confidence. It was the lack of confidence that largely explained the state of EC economies. His plea echoed similar concerns by Wim Kok, the Dutch finance minister.

> Deal agreed, page 1 Boost to shares, page 22



French farm unions condemned the Gatt deal agreed yesterday, saying it would lead to further cuts in European agricultural production

#### French farmers vow to fight on

By OUR FOREIGN STAFF

FRENCH farmers' unions denounced the trade deal between the European Community and the United States yesterday, saying it would force even greater cuts in farm production than those already

mposed by the EC. A spokesman for the CNJA young farmers' union, one of France's largest farm groups. said: "This is war. There will be demonstrations as early as tomorrow." He added: "The agreement greatly exceeds the limits of the reform of the Common Agricultural Policy. We do not accept the principles of the accord."

A small group of farmers burned hav and tyres outside government offices in the northern port of Calais early yesterday in a foretaste of likely action. Philippe Arnaud, general-secretary of the radical Rural Co-ordination farmers movement, accused Jean-Pierre Soisson, the agriculture minister, of betraying French agriculture and "sacrificing us

on the American altar".
Philippe Tillous-Borde, director-general of the French oilseed producers' association, said the deal exceeded constraints agreed last May in the reform of EC agriculture policy. However, he recognised that restricting the area cultivated for oilseeds, from which vegetable oil is made, was better than limiting output, as discussed in earlier trade talks. Estimates circulated by the French government this week said the 21 per cent cut agreed

in subsidised EC cereals exports would mean taking a quarter of all European farm land out of production instead of the 15 per cent agreed last May. France had said it would oppose any Gan deal that exceeded the limits of EC farm policy reform and this week said it might demand a renegotiation of the reforms if its partners accepted such an

#### Major's woes bring crocodile tears to European eyes

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

WERE it not for the Princess of Wales, a reader would have been hard-pressed to find a word in favour of anything British in the European press this week as John Major has been depicted as stumbling down the road to disaster, dragging his hapless country

behind him. "Lady Di" swept the usual memories of the Hundred Years War aside, charming not just the tabloids but the serious French media with her "triumphant" weekend in Paris. "Paris crowned Lady Di. The smiles and suits of the princess conquered her hosts," said the conservative Figaro, normally no great friend of Britain. The satirical Canard Enchainé awarded its weekly prize for inanity to the report of the princess's visit by Libération, the centre-left daily. This threw Gallic rigour to the winds and waxed ecstatic on her

describing her as "nervous like a little bird," who "flashed the brave little gri-maces of a punished child". Otherwise, the European press has presented grim tales of Britain's collapsing economy, the Matrix Churchill affair and Mr Major's gymnastics over Maastricht. Perhaps we must soon reckon without John Major?" mused Germany's Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung vesterday in a look at the threats to the prime minister from his own party. The growing argument over the question

"long, Bluebell Girl's legs".

embargo against Iraq ... could prove even more dangerous than the fall of the pound, the coalmines crisis and the Maastricht issue." Britain also came in for ironic and bitter comment from German newspapers over the refusal to take in

Bosnian refugees from the

Slovene-Austrian border.

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of whether the British gov-

ernment violated the arms

AS OTHERS SEE US A weekly look at how the world views Britain home secretary not seen the pictures showing the misery of those people camped in old

buses?" asked Die Welt. For France, the chance to twist the knife in Britain's wounds has been too much to resist in a week which saw Albion appearing even more perfidious than usual, seemingly ganging up with the United States in an "Anglo-Saxon cabal" over the world trade talks. Earlier in the week commentaries concurred that, were it not for a scurrilous British campaign, the rest of Europe would accept the need to protect the endangered French peasant

A tone delicately balanced between sorrow and gloating coloured reports on



Whitehall's endless crises. "Panic in Downing Street," said the headline in L'Humanité, the Communist party daily, over a report on the Iraqi arms affair.

Pondering on Britain's supposed humiliation and Mr Major's immense task of restoring confidence. Le Monde, the bible of France's ruling classes, said the prime minister seemed to be staking his career on a "game of double or nothing" with the

British economy. Britain, it said, was facing a recession far worse than in any other European country and "the end of the tunnel seems still far away". Britons were far less concerned about Europe than about interest rates, Le Monde explained, largely because they had become "obsessed" with home own-ership in the 1980s. Mr Major was finding it particularly hard to restore confidence because of the extent of mortgage indebtedness. the paper said.

L'Express, the conservative weekly, talked of the general "catastrophe" now facing any British leader, be he Mr Major or a successor. "One piece of bad news follows another and the scandals keep coming," it said. Only a year ago, it remembered, Mr Major was bounding out of the Maastricht summit cry-ing "game, set and match" for Britain.

While much of the European media turned against France earlier this week over its intransigent attitude towards the world trade talks, there was still much space for acid commentary on Britain's handling of the presi-dency of the European Community. In Spain, where anti-British feeling is running high over what is seen as Mr Major's sabotage of the Maastricht treaty, the left-wing El Pais said London's inane handling of the Community presidency is princi-pally responsible for the

present paralysis". In a typical French com-ment. L'Express said next month's EC summit in Edinburgh risked turning into a disaster all round, thanks to Mr Major's incompetence. French ministers have been expressing the same neighbourly sentiments on TV and in the press

#### Threat of trade war is lifted

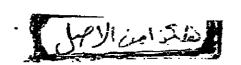
Continued from page 1 ports of oilseeds. US officials had been insisting that the EC bind itself to limits on tonnages of rapeseed, sunflowers and soya to be produced in Europe, but the final agree-ment restricts production only by stipulating how much land must be taken out of use. The EC paid for that concession by agreeing a bigger cut in overall subsidised exports.

The settlement has now to be approved by EC govern-ments and, although no formal approval is required until an entire Gan treaty has been agreed, the accord will be raised at the foreign ministers' meeting and the Edinburgh summit next month.

Mr Major brushed aside suggestions that France whose farmers are threatening to stage demonstrations against the accord today might yet scupper a final agreement and said that if they continued to object they would be outvoted: "At the end of the day, the EC will decide this on qualified majority voting." Although EC rules allow ministers to make trade policy by majority vote, there have been suggestions that France would invoke the obscure "Luxembourg compromise" which grants individual states a veto when its "vital interests" are threatened. But Mr Andriessen made clear that he thought it unlikely that the deal would be blocked.

While the farm subsidies issue has been the main stumbling block to an overall deal to give £100 billion a year boost to the world economy. negotiators have still to reach agreements on such disparate matters as rice, bananas, shipping, copyright and service industries. These need to be reached before March 1. when the American president's negotiating authority expires. The final deal is likely to come into force on January





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# Iraqi economy in disarray as the UN sanctions bite

A run on luxury goods has forced Saddam to delay an imports ban. Now Iraq's anti-sanctions offensive at the UN is in danger

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN AMMAN

IRAQ has been plunged into its most serious economic disarray since sanctions were imposed two years ago, with differences over policy emerging inside the regime of President Saddam Hussein.

Travellers from Baghdad and Western intelligence sources claim that the United Nations sanctions are beginning to bite at the very moment when Iraq plans to launch a diplomatic drive at the UN on Monday to have them lifted.

At only 24 hours' notice, the deadline for a blanket ban due to have come into effect yester-day on the sale of 146 huxury

**Egyptians** 

step up

tourist

security

By MICHAEL BINYON

DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

Egypt yesterday promised a huge increase in security in

tourist areas, but daimed the

country was still one of the

safest places to visit. Fouad Sultan, the minister

of tourism, blamed recent artacks on tourists on terrorists

who had failed to achieve their

ends by political means and

who were, he said, supported

by governments envious of

Egypt's tourist earnings, esp-

ecially Iran. He said the threat

came not from fundamen-

talists - senior Islamic schol-

ars have decreed that tourism

was not incompatible with Is-

lam — but from former com-munists dressing their ideo-logy in the clothes of Islam.

While in London for a

meeting of the World Tourist Organisation, Mr. Sultan at-

empted to reassure British

tourists and admitted that

Egypt's tourist industry faced

a grave threat. One in every 15

jobs depended on tourism; last

vear Egypt attracted 3 million

visitors, and earned about £2

He denounced "substantial

of terroris

billion from the industry.

and would protect tourists.

Mr Sultan said Foreign

Office warnings not to visit

remote areas were unneces-

sary. "Come and see how safe

they are. You can stroll around

dents with Islamic fundamentalists, saying hardly anyone in Egypt had heard of Shaikh

He refused to link the inci-

day and night."

over-reporting

items, ranging from cheese and perfume to videos and personal computers, was postponed after chaotic scenes in

Baghdad's shops.
Before the deadline extension until December 10 ordered by Saddam, traders had been told to clear their shelves of luxury imports or face penalties for economic sabotage, including possible execution. Clothing and other items on the list published in August were selling at knock-down prices. The deadline was part of an austerity package to rescue the Iraqi dinar, now fetching 30 to the American dollar on the black market.

against the official rate of 3.2. The measures were designed to save foreign currency to buy staple foodstuffs. Earlier this week Muham-

mad Mahdi Salih, the trade minister, vowed in a speech to parliament: "There will be no extension of the deadline." Saddam's rescinding order was issued the day after Babel, a paper owned by his son Uday, who has made millions of dollars from his monopoly over the sale of certain goods, including chickens, criticised the ban on luxury items.

"The negative aspect of the measure will leave a disastrous impact not only on the citizens. but also on the national econo-my," an unsigned article written by what the paper de-scribed as an Iraqi economist with long-standing financial expensie" said. The writer is assumed by observers to be Uday himself, and it is a rare challenge to official policy in the censored media. The article claimed the order to clear foreign goods in a specified period was "contrary to eco-nomic logic" and described the measure as "not more than

popular discontent. Like the execution of 42 merchants for alleged profi-teering this summer, the ban on luxuries was threatening to further empty the shops and stoke up middle-class anger," one Western diplomat said. The sudden switch is a sign of internal disagreements about

winter approaches." The approach of the deadarriving at foreign emba



Uday Hussein: rare



#### **Hong Kong** investors warned by **Peking**

FROM CATHERINE SAMPSON IN PEKING

PEKING yesterday accused Chris Patten, the Hong Kong governor, of creating disaster and chaos" in Hong Kong, and warned foreign investors that they should not support his proposals for democracy if they wanted to continue to make money in the colony.

Under the front-page head-line "Playing the Internation-al Card Will Not Help Patten". the Communist party People a Daily, in the latest of a week of attacks, said: "Forthe people of Hong Kong .... Creating chaos will not only bring calamity to the people of Hong Kong, but will harm the interests of in

threats against tourists, but nationality." acknowledged that Egypt was held hostage by enemies trying to strike at its vital interests. He said armed security guards were now protecting all tourist sites. Only nine incidents had occurred this year, resulting in one death and 13 injuries, but he said there would be no repetition. Ordinary Egyptians were so depen-dent on tourism that they had helped catch those responsible rights so loudly" should think

for 50 years after 1997.

Omar Abdul-Rahman, the shaikh in America described as the country's Ayatoliah Khomeini. He said that every country now suffered from terrorism: the phenomenon was alien to Egypt, and followed failed attempts by extremists to provoke clashes between Christian and Muslims. Pharaoh's story, page 14

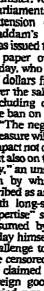


eign countries who support Patten's proposals are helping to wreak chaos and disaster on

The American, Canadian and Australian governments have already stated their support for Mr Patten's proposals, and a similar endorsement is expected from Japan. The article said that Hong Kong was an issue only for Britain and China, and that the rest of the world should keep out of it. Western governments "who shout the slogan of human

of the consequences. Mr Patten last month announced plans to further de-mocratise the 1995 elections prior to the colony's handover to Chinese rule in 1997. Peking has reacted with personal insults, warnings of sanctions, and veiled threats that China may abandon the joint declaration, which protects Hong Kong's way of life

In a separate article, the paper also published Thurs-day's criticism by a senior Chinese official in Hong Kong of the colony's decision to begin work on its new airport. The official said Peking could not agree to any action taken without China's



an arbitrary action directed against the citizens and traders". lragis arriving in Amman on the main land route from

Baghdad, still cut off from all outside air links, said the ban was causing discontent among the middle classes and the trading malia which has grown up since sanctions were imposed after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in August 1990. Western embassies in Amman believe the attempted ban resulted from poor economic advice given to the president, who has been fighting a running battle to prevent

Open-door policy: Barbara Bush es-

corts Hillary Clinton, wife of the US

president-elect, into the White House

during the Clintons' first trip to

PAKISTAN yesterday mount-

ed a huge security operation in

North West Frontier Province

to keep out Benazir Bhutto,

the opposition leader. In a

continuing mockery of the

country's fragile democrac

the government sealed off

roads and ordered police to

keep watch at the airport to

ensure that the former prime

minister did not slip through.

tress-like home in Karachi,

Miss Bhutto announced that

she was calling off plans to lead a march today in Pesha-

war, capital of the frontier region. She blamed the sec-

urity clampdown for her deci-

sion. She has decided to focus

instead on Punjab, the most

populous, prosperous and po-

litically important of the four

provinces and also the home

state of Mian Nawaz Sharif,

the prime minister, the target

Asghar Khan, spokesman

of the People's Democratic

Alliance opposition grouping,

said Miss Bhutto would defy

her banning from Punjab and

travel on the Islamabad-bound train from Karachi on

Monday. To avoid arrest she would leave the train before it

Her aim is to keep the

country in political termoil

and, it seems, to court arrest for its propaganda value. Ac-

cording to one theory, she has received a signal from the

reached the capital.

of her campaign.

At Bilawal House, her for-

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN ISLAMABAD

how to cope with the economic crisis caused by sanctions as

line had prompted a sharp jump in the number of Iraqis in Jordan seeking visas abroad. It has been accompanied by new Iraqi restrictions forbidding citizens to make more than two journeys abroad a year. The provision of luxury items, such as scotch and American cigarettes, has been one way in which Saddam has retained loyalty among the security forces and the elite of the country's ruling Baath party.

challenge to Saddam

#### Redundant spies **Police force Bhutto** to call off march tout for business

election victory. Mrs Bush, just back from house-hunting in Houston, where they will move after the inauguration the private quarters of the 200-year-old presidential mansion. Millie the dog tagged along a few steps behind.

Washington since the Democrat's

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN WASHINGTON

LIFE has taken a strange turn for the former chiefs of the KGB. In the past few years they have seen their power crumble, their coup go awry and their dreams of a government dacha disintegrate. But now the men who ran the former Soviet Union's intelligence network have

submitted to the ultimate Gerard Burke, a former assisconsultancy near Washing-Soviet spymasters and intelli-

eign operatives. With two

al fraud, international observers say that she was fairly beaten in the general election

in January, showed Mrs Clinton round

ton Times.

indignity - they have begun looking for work with the very pecple they once spied on. tant director of the US National Security Agency, who now runs a small security ton, told The Washington Post that he had recently been bombarded with curriculum vitae and letters from former gence agents.
The KGB formerly em-

ployed 250,000 people. With the collapse of communism. however, thousands of former secret police and intelligence officials have found themselves thrown on to the job market. They have naturally gravitated towards the field of security and corporate intelligence.

One of those with whom Mr Burke is now considering a joint venture is Yuri Drozdov, 68, a former KGB major general and the man who once ran the Soviet Union's vast network of for-

army that it would not object

to Mr Sharif being forced out

of office. Such rumours are the

She may also be raising her

profile lest a court investigat-

ing her period in office decides

to ban her from contesting

future elections on the ground

of her being unfit for public

office. Such a ruling is a

It remains to be seen if she

can still marshal a mass movement, having lost much

of her magic during her two

chaotic years in power. De-

spite her allegations of elector-

distinct possibility.

held two years ago.

stuff of Pakistani politics.

other former KGB agents, Mr Drozdov now owns Namakon, a business consultancy in Moscow. "People who have experience working in the West, understanding market economies and market enterprises, have an easier time getting involved in business." he recently told the Washing-

Mr Drozdov was a spymaster of Rudolf Abel, the Soviet agent who obtained many of America's atomic secrets in the 1950s. Now Mr Drozdov is offering to help foreign businesses find a path through Russian bureaucracy. Mr Burke's firm, whose advisory board is led by Richard Helms, the former director of the CIA, specialises in protecting American companies against industrial espionage, and he says he is considering doing a deal with his erstwhile

adversary.

#### **Timor** rebel leader

caught

NEWS IN BRIEF

Dili: Indonesian soldiers in East Timor have captured José Alexandre Gusmão, a proindependence rebel leader in the former Portuguese colony. Mr Gusmão, 45, was seized while asleep in a house at Lahane, a suburb of East Timor's capital of Dili. He led a pro-independence demonstration against the Indonesian government in November 1991 that left at least 100 people dead after troops fired on marchers.

Indonesia annexed East Timor in 1976 after intervening in a civil war there between Freilin and other pro-independence groups. President Soares of Portugal called for an international campaign for Mr Gusmão's release. (AP)

#### Help sought

Johannnesburg: Mr Justice Richard Goldstone, head of a commission of enquiry into violence and intimidation in South Africa, met with Presi-dent de Klerk. He requested additional resources and authority to carry out his

#### Guards refused

Luanda: A request for armed United Nations soldiers to guarantee the safety of rebei Unita leaders from attack by the Angolan government was rejected by Margaret Anstee, the UN special envoy, who is expected to fly to the Unita base at Huambo today.

#### Goodbye sailor

Olongapo: Huge crowds turned out in this Philippines port to say farewell to the US navy, which leaves its base at Subic Bay next week, ending 100 years of American mili tary presence. (AP)

#### Thousands flee

Dhaka: Tens of thousands of people on offshore islands and coastal villages abandoned their homes as Bangladesh braced for a severe cyclonic storm, with winds of up to 130mph, that was expected to hit the southern coast this

#### Caste protest

Delhi: A student set himself on fire and police tear-gassed protesters in Delhi in renewed protests over plans to reserve more jobs for low-caste Hindus. A student boycott forced schools and colleges in the state to close for a few days. (Reuter)

#### Plotter freed

Rabat: Morocco has released Sergeant Ghani Achour, the last military prisoner jailed for taking part in the abortive coup against King Hassan in July 1971 in which 98 people were shot dead at his seaside palace. Sgt Achour was serving a life sentence. (Reuter)

#### Pest kangaroos

Canberra: Wildlife experts are seeking a solution to the 120 kangaroos that have overrun the grounds of the official residence of Bill Hayden, Australia's governor-general. Shooting and sterilisation have been proposed. (Reuter)

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## Feminist slogans recruit women to Shining Path's war

Pilar Cotch has no scru-ples. She claims to have killed many times and says she is prepared to die for the Shining Path who have been fighting a guerrilla war for more than a decade to install

a Maoist regime in Peru. There is no expression on her face as she raises her fist and shouts dogmatic rhetoric from inside a dark, humid prison cell in the central Andean town of Ayacucho, where dozens of eaptured women guerrillas are held. The town is where the Shining Path launched its armed struggle in 1980 and where it centred its campaign of violence that has led to clashes with the security forces. claiming the lives of at least 25,000 people. Pitar, 28, is one of hun-

dreds of captured women cadres belonging to the ShinAfter the Shining Path leader's arrest, women are running the guerrilla campaign, writes Gabriella Gamini in Lima

ing Path movement, held in detention centres across Peru. She was seized this year when President Pujimori ordered an all-out war on the guerrillas.

There are hundreds of others continuing the violent struggle, she says. At least half of the guerrillas making up Shining Path are women. It is believed that three women now head the movement since the capture of Abimael Guznán, the Shining Path's ideological leader and founder, who was detained in September after military intelligence traced him to a middle class suburb in the capital, Lima. "When

Guzmán was captured he was found with three women who stood by his side and claimed to be his closest comrades. They belonged to the central committee of the Shining Path - from that day it was proved that women take a leading role in the movement." Rosa Ma-

mong those captured A was Martha Huatay, who was said to have nlanned the bombing and terror campaign which has shaken the capital since Jone. Now that the so-called supreme leader, often named "President Gonzalo", has

livia, a sociologist, said.

been jailed, analysts say he has left Teresa Durand, Mar-Clavo and Emma Saveedra to continue the ideological leadership of the armed struggle. These women who are at the top are all from middle-class educatbackgrounds, former teachers and lecturers at university who took to the Shining Path because it was the only movement which

Malivia said. Most of the women who lead the political wing of Shining Path joined the armed struggle in its early days, but women are not only in the Shining Path leader-

embraced feminism," Señora

ship. Hundreds of women from poorer rural areas are active, often used in assassi-

or Pilar Cotch opting for

the Shining Path was an obvious choice. "I went to school and wanted something from life. But like many other women who live in provincial towns. I felt that there was nothing for me this government could offer." Although the rhetoric of Abimael Guzman, whose main inspiration is the Chinese cultural revolution, tocused on women and won the following of hundreds, it also demands à harsh regime. Marriage is only allowed within the movement, and only to guerrillas of the same rank. Having children is out

of the question and if they

already exist they have to be

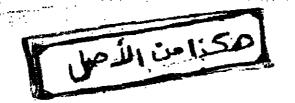
handed over to rural women and brought up on farms. Lower-ranking women cadres are also said to have to provide a sexual service every 45 days to the male head of the guerrilla squadrons. "Guzmán's feminism is to-

tally contradictory, it wants to turn women into men. It talks of women's rights, but it also uses women." Señora Malivia says. "The problem is that desperate poverty leads many women really to believe that their war will change things for them."

While hundreds of guerrillas such as Pilar have been captured and President Fujimori has vowed to crush the Shining Path by 1995, the terror campaign has been stepped up to disrupt tomorrow's elections which Senor Fujimori called to install a



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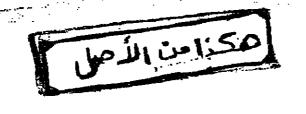
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10 year section at trust 3 MAY On the 70th anniversary of the discovery of King Tut's burial place, Daniel Johnson reviews the cult surrounding it

7 rom the moment that The Times broke the news of his ley of the Kings on November 30, 1922, Tutankhamun was not only the most famous of the pharaohs, but the central figure in a wave of popular mythology surrounding the royal mummy and the ancient curse which supposedly punished those who disturbed it. An esoteric literary tradition going back to Edgar Allan Poe was transformed by Tutankhamun into the cult which gave us Boris Karloff's mummy movies and Egyptian art deco cinemas. His reign over the imagination of the 20th century

It was indeed the most sublime moment in the history of Egyptology when. 70 years ago this week. Howard Carter looked into the antechamber of the tomb and, in answer to his patron the Earl of Carnaryon's excited query ("Can you see anything?"), replied: "Yes, wonderful things." In January 1923 the earl, who wished to recoup the cost of this private

has already lasted far longer than

the 18 years of the pharaoh's life

# Hype of the mummy's tomb

enterprise, had signed an exclusive agreement with The Times, giving it a degree of control over news of progress in the excavation which not only infuriated rival newspapers but also the Egyptian government. The contract, printed in T.G.H. James's judicious new biography Howard Carter: The Path to Tutankhamun (Kegan Paul International), meant that Carnarvon had sold for £5,000 rights which the Egyptians did not think belonged to him.

Within six months of the discovery, Carnarvon was dead of a septic mosquito bite. Stories about a curse, originally encouraged by the archaeologists as a way of frightening off potential intruders, were taken up by journalists starved of scoops and given credence by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. He was-interviewed just after Carnarvon's death and warned: "An evil elemental may have caused Lord

not know what elementals existed in those days, nor what their form might be. The Egyptians knew a great deal more about these things than we do."

Sir Arthur's words precipitated panic among collectors of Egyptian and unities. Arthur Weigall, an Egyptologist turned Daily Mail correspondent, wrote darkly of "the malevolence of ancient Egyptian spirits". The Mail printed a — wholly implausible — story about a mosquito "which may have previously settled on embalming fluids found buried with Tutankhamun". found buried with Tutankhamun". The Daily Express reported that, at the moment of Carnarvon's death. the lights in Cairo Hospital sud-denly went out. "This curious occurrence was interpreted by those anxiously awaiting news as an omen of evil." Even the reported death of the earl's terrier bitch Susie, thousands of miles away at

Carnarvon's fatal illness. One does not know what elementals existed to the curse. Later Velma, a society palmist and seer, claimed to have warned Carnarvon of a curse before his death. And so the tales

> The curse was, of course. entirely bogus. A study by the Metropolitan Museum of Art has proved that those involved lived to an above-average age for the period. Carter himself later wrote: "There was probably no place in the world freer from risks than the Tomb. Scientific research had proved it to be sterile . . . So far as the living are concerned curses of this nature have no part in the Egyptian Ritual."

Though Carter lived until 1939, his close colleague Arthur Mace (who actually wrote the most famous account of the opening of the tomb) died in 1928. "In a sense Tutankhamun did kill Mace, but it

was not the curse of the boy King. it was the sheer amount of work involved in clearing the tomb in what were difficult and stressful circumstances," writes Mace's biographer, Christopher C. Lee, in ...the grand piano came by camel: Arthur C. Mace, the neglected

Egyptologist (Mainstream).

Like all great myths, the discovery of the tomb of Tutankhamun has been repeatedly debunked. Howard Carter, who rightly took the lion's share of the credit for the find but was snubbed by most Egyptologists, has been accused of being little better than a graverobber. His collaborators, overshadowed at the time, have no less rightly been allowed some posthu-

Tutmania is still with us. The first Tutankhamun show, held at the British Empire Exhibition, Wembley in 1924, featured a mock tomb Carter slapped a writ on the

organisers (who were advised by his Daily Mail rival Weigall) for breach of copyright, but the tomb was very successful. More recently there was, among others, the great British Museum exhibition of 1972. This week the museum unveiled a new exhibition, Howard Carter: Before Tutankhamun: a paperback volume with the same title, written by Nicholas Reeves and John H. Taylor, accompanies the show, published by British

Museum Press. Christopher Frayling attempts to explain the Tut phenomenon in his useful new book The Face of Tutankhamun, published by Faber on Monday to coincide with the BBC-2 series of the same name. He quotes Peter Green to the effect that what impresses us is the "static self-assurance" of the ancient Egyptians: "Nothing, in the last resort, not even gold is as insidious as unshakeable belief."

New works of popular Egyptology, such as Nicolas Grimal's A History of Ancient Egypt (Blackwell) and Eugen Strouhal's Life in Ancient Egypt (Cambridge), stress the fact that the true significance of Howard Carter's discovery was only appreciated much later. In-deed, the most profound effect of this unique evocation of the most distant part of human history may be upon those who consider themselves the descendants of pharaonic

Egypt.
One scarcely disinterested witness quoted by Christopher Frayling, the Arabist Edward Said, sees the evolution of Egyptology from Champollion to Carter as a by-product of European imperialism, and asks why the West is more interested in the Egypt of Tutankhamun than that of Nasser and Mubarak.

Egyptians are sensitive and sometimes resentful about these polytheist ancestors, with whom they feel a mystic affinity, but whom Islamic orthodoxy forbids them to revere. If there was a curse. it has fallen upon Egypt rather than

# Making waves in broadcasting

Chris Hopson on reforms the BBC must implement to avoid more radical change

ow can the BBC continue to justify imposing a li-cence fee of £80 on every colour television owner? Peter Brooke is under pressure to consider radical alternatives to the BBC. Within the department of national heritage the debate on next week's green paper centres around an arts council of the airwaves, an idea which already has support among the prime minister's policy advisers. It is a very tempting option, but one the government should resist.

What would an arts council of the airwaves do? It would receive the licence fee and allow all broadcasters - not just the BBC - to bid for funds to make programmes which meet public service objectives. It

would create an internal market and split programme purchasers from providers.

But it is also a

Trojan horse for

many who are out-

right opponents of the BBC. It would

mean the death of

the BBC by a thou-

sand cuts as the

licence fee was

spread across a

wide range of pro-

gramme makers,

many of whom

would have access

to advertising reve-

nue. Some believe

its licence fee, the BBC must slim down its bloated

To justify

management structure

an arts council of the airwaves would be far worse. Programme makers would try to second guess the opinions of the council's members in their bid for funds while these 12 political appointees selected from the "great and the good" would decide what was good and bad public service programming. They would be in a position to lay down detailed

objectives, programme by programme or series by series. The BBC, quite rightly, places such decisions in the hands of its

producers. However, if the BBC is to justify the licence fee, it needs to demonstrate that it can adapt to the new competitive broadcasting market. Above all, the BBC needs to slim down its bloated management structure. It must also carry through the producer choice initiative which creates an internal market by forcing BBC departments to compete with independent companies in selling their services to BBC producers. It should also establish targets for cost effectiveness that can be independently audited. Adopting these measures will produce the same pressures for efficiency as an arts council of the airwaves but will not endanger programming quality and diversity or editorial

independence. The BBC's programming objectives should be changed so that it offers distinctive and original programmes, not pale imitations of those offered by its competitors there can be little justification for Eldorado or Neighbours remain-ing in future BBC schedules. This does not mean, however, that the BBC should aim only at minority audiences: the success of East-Enders demonstrates that it is possible to make popular pro-

grammes that meet public service broadcasting obrectives.

The BBC should not broadcast in areas that are already well catered for by the market and do not meet public service broadcasting objectives. Areas to withdraw from indude Radios 1 and 2 and those local radio stations whose output does not differ sufficient-

ly from commercial rivals. The BBC should also make the BBC is a cultural dictator — but better use of its archive material by handing over BBC Enterprises to a private operator in return for a share of the profits.

There are a number of other reforms that are needed to improve accountability to viewers and listeners. The BBC has already promised to put new mechanisms into place which build on best practice in the public and private sectors. The confusion surrounding the governors' role needs to be ended: they cannot continue to act as the board of management while retaining responsibility for regulation.

John Birt and Marmaduke Hussey have already indicated that they will undertake a programme of reform broadly along these lines. The government should renew the BBC's charter for ten years, set it clear targets to achieve and assess whether they have been met in ten years' time.

The author was special adviser to David Mellor at the department of national heritage. His paper. Reforming the BBC, will be published by the European Policy Forum on Monday.

# Patten's appalling joke

"Come in Patten. Sit down." The use of his surname was unusual. Patten could tell the prime minister was tense. He feared the worst. "You know what it's about. You'll have seen the league tables. I'm

awfully sorry." Since November 1992 the prime minister had taken a grip on the "grey" image of his team. Each year the cabinet minister with the lowest poll rating had to resign, no matter what. John Major had found this a painless way to reshuffle.

Patten's gorge tightened. "But prime minister. it's absurd. The system is unfair. The figures aren't even correct. "I know. I know," said Major. "We've been over all that. I'm sure we'll get a better system

#### SIMON JENKINS

next year. But ratings are facts. You've always loved facts, John. It's better than leaving it to the whips." Patten choked. "But it's all public relations... which department you're in ... it's all to do with context..." John Major moved a small lever installed by his predecessor. Patten abruptly disappeared. A gurgle was heard from far down below. Sir Robin Butler put his head round the door. "Mistah Kurtz, he dead!" he said with a chuckle.

can see no point at all in the bizarre school league tables published last Thursday. The listing of the "best and worst" schools in England was so grotesque I wondered if it was meant as a coded lesson in unfairness. Was John Major sending the schools a message, that his new Britain is for the rich and the dever. and the sooner we all know it the better? If so I can only puzzle over the enormity of it all. This is tabloid government with a vengeance.

The Victorian philanthropist. Charles Booth, once published a table showing the distribution of butlers per head of the London population. It was full of interest. Hampstead beat Kensington and Westminster, largely because it had fewer mews properties and thus fewer working class to distort its ratio. Last week's tables from the education department are about as useful. They tell us where middleclass people live. They tell us that selective schools get better exam results. They tell us nothing about how good any one school is at teaching its pupils: though by grading schools they imply just that It would have been fairer to omit schools altogether and publish exam results by postal district.

The tables were statistically aberrant. They omitted so many children and so many schools as to be quite unreliable. They excluded children who sit their exams before 15 or 17 or who take A levels outside the school. Richmond with

The ranking of schools by exams results is pernicious and unfair. All it tells us is where the middle class live



its excellent sixth form centres was made to seem the dumbest town in England. The figures omitted three quarters of independent schools: Winchester but no Eton or Westminster. They disregarded whether a school is choosing only bright children from primary schools. The government casually admitted that it has yet to perfect its system. Why then rush out such incomplete figures? If statistics were a real profession - rather than a branch politics - somebody at the education department would have

been "struck off" by now. Educationists can roughly pre-dict the exam results of secondary schools by examining the community they serve. Cheshire and Surrey are prosperous and yield good results, Brent and Tower Hamlets are not. Selective schools score higher than non-selective, indepen-

dent higher than state. Redbridge's 11-plus yields two council schools scoring above 92 per cent; the rest are below 50 per cent. There are no surprises here, though a ghoulish fascination in seeing how badly the

"other school" has fared. The education secretary, John Patten, says parents should make allowances for all this. Why did he not do so in his tables? By giving them the glare of national publicity he was discounting any allowance. The imprimatur of central government is now stamped on exam passes as the sole criterion, not just a criterion, of teacher and school performance. Mr Patten says next year his figures may include other criteria, though it is hard to see how something so essentially local as school context can be tabulated nationally. He could more fairly have updated Booth and given us the distribution of nannies. (I imagine this would correspond exactly to his tables.)

f course school performance should be more open. Of course parents deserve more information. But the lesson of last week is that Whitehall should keep right away from this. Councils should be required to publish all they know about their schools, putting exam results in their local context. What a parent wants to know is how good a school is at educating a given child or ability group, how good at a particular subject, how good at preparing for further education.

Camden council has published such "value added" tables for its schools; they seem reasonably fair. If a local council had engaged in

such a beta minus operation as these tables, Mr Patten would have said it was not fit to run anything, let alone a school. Yet Mr Patten's new education bill is giving his department powers to run every school in the country. He is the last The education bill seeks to fragment the school system of England

and remove it from local administration. Schools are to be like prisons, defence establishments and (until recently) hospitals, under Whitehall regulation and administration. Heaven help them. In addition, the way this is being organised through "opting out" will widen the social and educational divergence between schools. Public money will inevitably flow towards those that do best in league tables. Nor will local councils be able to levy higher rates to help the "sink" schools that are left behind. Public education was meant to counteract rather than reinforce

social disadvantage.
The smug world of education has long had a shock like this coming to it. I suppose shocks help debate. But the past week suggests sanity is losing this debate. The league table was a huge £1.4m pat on the back to schools that have an easy job already, stigmatising and demoral-

ising those that have a hard one.

Life may be a struggle against unfairness. But for government to make that struggle worse, and so gratuitously, is callous. Conrad ruminated in Lord Jim that most people's idealism had "never undergone the trial of a fiendish and appalling joke". That can no longer be said of British education.

#### A hard sales pitch

COME to sunny Pakistan. See the colourful street life of Islamabad where happy demonstrators dance and sing. Witness the drama and excitement of the special tribunals. Imran Khan has clearly got his work cut out : the former Pakistan test captain has just been appointed "honorary roving ambassador for tourism" by the prime minister Nawaz Sharif.

Supporters of Benazir Bhutto will be forgiven for seeing Imran's appointment as a cynical attempt by the government to rescue the country's image, badly tarnished after the bouncers bowled by the security forces against demonstrators this week. For the government it is a clever PR coup. They have also just awarded Imran Pakistan's

top civil award, the Hilal-e-Imtiaz. Imran's brief, according to friends, is a roving one, selling Pakistan on his many travels around the world. He arrives in Britain next week to raise funds for his hospital project in Lahore. To date he has raised more than £5 million for the hospital, which is due to open next year. He will surely find it easier convincing the British public to caught up for his clinic than to persuade it to

abandon Lanzarote for Lahore. The Foreign Office is advising tourists that there is a problem with kidnapping and armed robbery in rural areas and travel by road in the south of Pakistan "requires armed police escort".

■ The Tory MP John Carlisle may be neutral in today's rugby international between Wales and Australia but he was clearly partisan in last weekend's England versus South Africa game. "It was a pity we lost wasn't it?", he told colleagues this week. Not for nothing is his nickname at Westminster the member for Pretoria North.

#### Last picture show

AFTER more than two decades as one of the world's leading actresses the lights will go out for the last time on Glenda Jackson's film career tomorrow. Jackson. who vowed to give up acting when she became the MP for Hampstead and Highgate, will be seen opposite Ken Russell who directed her in Women in Love, for which she won an Oscar.

Jackson plays the part of the age-ing lover of the composer Sir Ar-



nold Bax in the film, The Secret Life of Sir Arnold Bax, which will be shown on The South Bank Show presented by Melvyn Bragg, one of the Labour MP's most loyal

The MP expresses few regrets about the demise of her acting career, insisting she is utterly "un-sentimental". She says: "Acting is something that only has any kind of validity when you are doing it. Like a majority of actors my early experience was unemployment rather than employment." In the film Jackson is abandoned

by Russell for a younger mistress, played by Heny Baynes who in real life met Russell on the set and married him six months later. She is now expecting his eighth child. "Any opportunity to work with Ken must be accepted with both hands," says Jackson. "I haven't up

to now missed any aspect of acting. I have never regarded acting as anything other than extremely hard work." Does she mean that politics is not?

#### Elizabethan rave

CONSERVATIONISTS who uttered large sighs of relief last month when Peter de Savary took the £6 million price tag off Littlecote House, his Elizabethan manor in Wiltshire, may have breathed too soon. The flamboyant de Savary has just received permission to hold a "rave" for 16,000 at the historic manor on New Year's Eve.

- Many were concerned about the future of the house's collection of civil war armour when it first went on the market. Now they are more worried about the effect of 16,000 ravers, to say nothing of the noise, on the fabric of the house.

Environmental health officers on Kennet District Council opposed the application but were overruled by their political masters who have granted a licence. The decision has done nothing to sweeten the neigh-bours. Lord Chetwode, whose home is close to Littlecote, says he may have to cancel his traditional New Year's day pheasant shoot "Otherwise we might end up shooting the ravers by mistake as they wander away from the party."





 Just who did Dr Steve Jones (centre), the geneticist and Reith lecturer, have in his sights on yesterday's Desert Island Dises? Smith seems to have got the genes of various secretaries of state confused. Asked to name his luxury, he replied: "I'd like to honour the present Secretary of State for Education. Kenneth Clarke, by keeping his stuffed body on my desert island." Did he mean Clarke (right), the home secretary, or John Patten (left), currently the education secretary?

● Fleet Street yesterday was awash with rumours that Alastair Campbell, the political editor of the Daily Mirror, was about to make a very public resignation on air. Camp-bell, who was presenting What The Papers Say on television last night. admits it was all his own fault. "Expect a major surprise at the end of

the programme," he had told colleagues. They all immediately supposed that their socialist political editor was about to quit in protest at the new right-wing Montgomery-Banks regime. "All I meant was that I was going to end the pro-gramme by playing the baggines." says the Scottish Campbell.

#### Just a bad spell

NO WONDER Liverpool schools scored so hadly in the new exami-nation league tables. The poor children, after all, are hardly being set a fine example. Frank Cogley, Liverpool's education director, has just sent all parents a letter with the council's booklet giving details about the city's educational objectives. Discriminate becomes "descriminate", by "principal and practice", one assumes, the director means principle the grammar is atrocious, the punctuation almost non-existent

The letter ends with a ringing declaration of the city's commitment to continue the "sucessful" path for Liverpool schools.



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France must not now sabotage a Gatt deal

At the last minute, the world's most powerful industrial countries have backed away from economic catastrophe. The deal announced in Brussels yesterday to end the bitter dispute between America and the European Community over agricultural trace brooks of no opposition by France - whose farm minister denounced it last night - or any other government. The jobs of millions and the finure wealth of nations depend on it.

President Mitterrand must now exercise statesmanship. He faces a domestic crisis with his militant and increasingly lawless farmers if he does not veto the deal; but he will plunge the entire Community into crisis if he does. He has indicated that France will not fight alone — and the rules governing EC trade policy mean that the deal can be accepted by qualified majority of member states. France has threatened to invoke the Luxembourg compromise, under which a government can exercise veto in a matter of vital national interest": but by no stretch of the imagination is it in the interests of France to usher in a world trade war which would damage its entire economy.

The agricultural dispute is trivial in itself.

What has made this quarrel so dangerous is that it put at risk the health of the entire world trading system. What matters now is that EC governments lose no time in endorsing the compromise reached on their behalf by the European Commission.

Only then will the way be open to conclude an infinitely more important global trade deal, the Uruguay Round of the Gatt, which has been stalled for two years thanks to the myopic deference of the EC, which prides itself on being the world's largest trading bloc, to its heavily subsidised farm industry. A successful round could revive the

economies of America and Western Europe, enable Eastern Europe to make a successful transition to free markets, bring prosperity to Third World farmers and, by rolling back protectionism, put money in consumers' pockets. This accord, which involves 108 opportunities in 15 different sectors. Carla now show that this is more than rhetoric.

Hills, America's trade negotiator, has estimated that it could add perhaps \$4,000 billion to the value of world trade ten years hence, generating millions of jobs both in the industrialised world and in the developing countries. Failure would not just mean the loss of opportunities to expand trade, but a serious risk of unleashing trade wars of the kind that contributed to the great depression of the 1930s.

That is what the EC, in defiance of its own best interests, has until this week been prepared to risk - and what France insists that it would still prefer, rather than "surrender" to the United States. France has said that it will accept no farm trade deal that goes further to reduce subsidies and farm output than the reforms to the common agricultural policy agreed last May. The EC negotiators. Ray MacSharry and Frans Andriessen, insist that it is compatible with the CAP reforms, but French ministers may well try to mount a filibuster. Since output and price levels are as difficult to predict with any accuracy as British weather, arguments over the fine print could drag on for months until after the French parliamentary elections next March, if France has its way.

-If that were to happen, the Uruguay Round would almost certainly be doomed despite yesterday's deal. If the final stage of Gatt talks opens next week, there will only just be time to remove obstacles in other areas - on which negotiations have been held up pending a breakthrough on farm trade - and complete the final drafting stages by March. The round stands or falls as a package. It has been six years in the making, and in March, the American administration's authority from the US Congress to negotiate an overall package which Congress would then accept or reject without amendments expires.

President Bush has devoted the last vestiges of his authority to the cause of free trade. Europe's interests and America's coincide. France has prided itself on countries, would open up new trading championing the European cause. It must

#### THE CALL OF DR LEONARD

Mass conversion is a practice better suited to the Dark Ages

Church made this week by Dr Graham Leonard was the act of a man whose outraged conscience has compelled him to rebel. Like the first Protestant, the former Bishop of London and leading opponent of female ordination proclaims: Here I stand, I can do no other.

As an act of principle, his personal defiance of the General Synod's decision to ordain women should command respecttime who Anglicans are struggling to reconcile the imperatives of conscience with a sincere desire for unity, Dr Leonard's clarion call for a mass defection to Rome is an ill-advised

coup de théâtre. Writing in The Times yesterday, Dr Leonard repeated the Anglo-Catholic axiom that the Church of England is, quite simply. "the Catholic Church in this country", bound to the universal Christian tradition by the creeds, the sacraments and the ministry. In his overtures to Rome, he treads in the spiritual footsteps of Laud (who declined a cardinal's hat) and Newman (who accepted one). For the "substantial" Anglo-Catholic constituency he has chosen to champion, the doctrinal leap into the embrace of the Holy

tionally, it is fraught with hazard. Delving into canon law - which medieval scholars knew could be used to prove anything - Dr Leonard has dug up the institution of the personal prelature, in which a group defined by religious character rather than territory becomes subject to papal jurisdiction. The only model to date is that of the semi-clandestine organisation Opus Dei, scarcely what traditionalists

See would indeed be a small one. Institu-

The approach to the Roman Catholic seeking a safe haven from female ordination have in mind. The alternative is mass conversion, a straightforward flight of dissenters from Canterbury to Rome.

Both blueprints are unsatisfactory as a means of resolving the divisions within the Church of England. Dr Leonard takes a rose-tinted view of the 1896 bull Apostolicae Curae rejecting Anglican orders, which he insists is open to reinterpretation. But Cardinal Basil Hume, whose reaction to the bishon's offer has been admirably restrained, has already identified "very serious practical difficulties" in papal recognition of the Anglican ministry. Even if Rome chose to waive these reservations, priests leaving Anglican orders would lose all ecclesiastical property and find most Catholic dioceses too poor to match their salaries. Those who were married would certainly be unable to continue as parish priests, relegated instead to the status of chaplain.

Mass conversion, in any case, seems a shallow response to a debate which has rightly been dominated by the prick of individual conscience: it is a Dark Age practice best confined to the pages of history books. Those who find the ordination of women unconscionable should explore the scope to campaign within the Church, as Dr David Hope, the traditionalist Bishop of London, urged yesterday, taking advantage of the means offered by the synod to opt out of the reform. Those, such as Dr Leonard, who feel they must leave, should not seek the safety of a mass exodus but resign their orders and join the Catholic Church peacefully as individual laymen. That would be an act of genuine and considered faith, of conviction matched by courage.

#### SERMONS IN PRECIOUS STONES

Buried treasure revives the spirit like little else

literature from Jason's quest for the golden fleece to Jack and the beanstalk. In real life it runs from Schliemann claiming that he had gazed upon the face of Agamemnon to the retired gardener in Suffolk who has just turned up a hoard of Roman gold and silver

in the clay. Treasure trove: the very words are like a bell to ring treasure-hunters hoardwards and downwards, even though the Anglo-Saxon law cedes hidden treasure to the Crown for the bureaucratic purpose of melting it down for coinage. Part of the attraction is avarice, getting something for nothing, winning the pools without the sweat of predicting all those elusive scoredraws. In this golden age of the common treasure-hunter - when cheap metal detectors are available to all - it is no longer necessary to be a king, an Elgin, a Trevelyan, Tradescant or Burrell. Amateurs with their electronic divining Hoovers are finding at least two million archaeological objects a year in the United Kingdom: about a quarter of the total.

There is more than simple greed, however, in the attraction of buried treasure. It fits the modern backward-looking passion for finding roots and continuity in a world that is changing faster than ever before. The retired RAF officer who turned up the gold

The lure of hidden treasure runs through and silver jewellery at Snettisham last year felt that he was shaking hands with Queen Boudicca herself directly across the centuries, without the screens erected by even the most tactful museums and the glosses interposed by even the most imaginative scholars.

Treasure-hunters are looking for something more precious than gold. They seek the philosopher's stone that will bring the past back to life. The dream of discovering Shakespeare's Love's Labour's Found or the manuscript of Catullus acting as a bung to a wine-barrel has nothing to do with their saleroom value, and everything to do with resurrection of creations above value."

This latest find has an eastern imperial look to it. It may prove to be the only treasure from Constantinople yet found in Roman Britain. It puts us in touch across 16 centuries with Britain's ancient masters just before they left for home. In the modern world of built-in obsolescence, where not even architects manufacture anything with an intended life of more than a generation, there is an old magic in such longeval artifacts. Can we be confident that for treasure-hunters ten centuries from now there will be anything a thousandth part as beautiful as that Roman strainer with its dolphin and its bearded magnate in a Byzantine head-dress?

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Sir. The excellent article by Roger

Boyes ("Policy vacuum leaves UK

troops with mission impossible",

November 11) raises issues which

take those of us with memories and

experience of the Congo between

1960 and 1964 to the heart of all

"peacekeeping" operations which go

beyond an observer or monitoring

role: when, and how, do UN troops

enforce their presence? Between 1960 and 1964 the task

for Onuc (Opération, des Nations

Unies du Congo) was to prevent the

secession of Katanga from the newly

independent Congo. Eventually, after

much confusion, and many casualties in Onuc, a brigade of the Indian army

to preserve and sustain a Muslim

territorial and ethnic identity in the

face of onslaught by Serbs. There may be wider political dimensions, but all

the ambiguities of UN resolutions

and mandates cannot disguise this fundamental issue of Muslim sur-

tarian operations being undertaken

and in train by groups, agencies and the UN in Bosnia cannot disguise the fact that Serbs oppose them, and will increasingly seek to do so by force.

Although, as Roger Boyes rightly

says, the attitude of the British

government remains dismayingly

negative, the British element of UN

forces in Bosnia has made clear the

intention to get those relief supplies to

hungry and sick Muslims, even if

force has to be employed in the

The method of conveying and

convoying relief will be to deter Serb

resistance by the deployment of

equivalent or, if possible in tactical

terms, greater military strength, sup-

ported by the international com-

munity. But, as Roger Boyes implies, no such support is being plainly and

solidly given. Why not? Why should Trooper Jones or

Private Smith risk their lives when

their political masters take refuge in

platitudes? Why should their UN

comrades in arms do so? They should,

for the cause is just, but we are all

asking a great deal from these mostly

immediately and return to the nego-

tiations sabotaged by the resort to

2. No aid of any kind will be

forthcoming from the UK unless Tbilisi abides by its CSCE undertak-

citizens regardless of ethnicity or

political opinion - the newly ap-

pointed CSCE high commissioner for

national minorities should surely play

3. There can be no question of this

country accepting a Georgian ambas-sador (planned for December) with-

out a prior peaceful settlement of the

We would judge the offer of official

hospitality to Mr Chikvaidze as mor-

ally acceptable only if the visit served

as an opportunity to impress upon

him what is expected of a civilised

society in the post-Soviet world of

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The genuine nature of the humani-

The issue for UN forces in Bosnia is

brought Katanga into line.

#### **Lessons of school** 'league tables'

From Ms Margaret Tulloch

Sir, It would be a shame if the positive lessons to be gained from the school league table debate (reports, Novem-ber 19) were drowned in protests from all sides.

We must recognise that there is a real advantage in having information, however imperfect, available to all — not just those "clued in" sufficiently to collect all the prospectuses or prise it out of LEA

If schools select pupils and parents and throw out those that won't conform, it is likely that their exam results will look good. We need to know how good they really are. Educationists must arrive at an agreed system of value-added assessment now, so that we can all press for its introduction as soon as possible. Teachers and heads must not retire hurt behind the staffroom door but work with parents to explain, discuss and plan together for

Yours etc MARGARET TULLOCH (Secretary), Campaign for State Education, 158 Durham Road, SW20.

From the Director of the Independent

Schools Information Service Sir. Your report, "Private schools shun publication of exam results" (November 18), appears almost three months after more than 500 independent senior schools published their A and AS-level results collectively and in great detail for the first time. Indeed, The Times and other newspapers printed them in August.

The fact that only a quarter of independent schools appear in this week's government lists is not due to any reluctance on their part to publish examination results which confirm their academic excellence. It is due to the method of reporting chosen by the Department for Education, which excludes the achievements of thousands of independent school pupils.

It is common practice in many independent schools to enter able pupils a year early for GCSEs and A evels. But the department has ruled that these results cannot be included with this year's cohort of results; nor can they be carried over to next year when the pupils in question will have reached the normal age for their examinations. This is unfair to these pupils and distorts results from the schools concerned.

Independent schools individually have published their examination results for many years. They will continue this year's exercise of publishing them collectively through ISIS and will add GCSE results next summer. But they hope the department will amend its format so that all candidates can be included - as they are in our own system - before next year, when all schools' results will have to be reported.

Yours faithfully. DAVID J. WOODHEAD, Director, ISIS, 56 Buckingham Gate, SWI. November 18.

From Sir Alfred Sherman

Sir. The school league tables show Hackney Downs Comprehensive school at the bottom of the London Borough of Hackney's table, with no A-level passes at all.

In my day, Hackney Downs County Secondary School (known colloquially as "the Grocers", after the City livery company from whom the building had been purchased) was the flagship of opportunity in east London, the avenue for talented children, many very poor indeed: Lord Peston and Harold Pinter were among those who went there, later to kick away the ladder for others.

Like most county secondary schools, Hackney Downs owed much to the initiative of Labour party councils. Its levelling-down as a result of Crosland's vendetta against the grammar schools in the mid-sixties, conducted in the name of anti-elitism, deprived children in the area of their chance to benefit from the education expenditures, which had quadrupled, and of the chance to go on to higher education. Its contribution to children's extra-curricular advancement and the life of the area was commensurate with its academic

We East-European immigrant Jews in particular benefited from this aspect of the opportunity society. Hackney still has many Jews, but they must now look elsewhere for opportunity. Socialism and comprehensivisation have made a desert and called it equality.

ALFRED SHERMAN. 14 Malvern Court, Onslow Square, SW7.

From Dr David Bowsher

Sir, "Affluence breeds academic success" reads one of your column headlines this morning, referring to the school examination "league ta-

May it not in fact be the case that intellectual (not necessarily strictly academic) success often breeds affluence? The rest is left to genetics. This seems to me the strongest argument in favour of striving to ensure equality of academic opportunity.

DAVID BOWSHER. 51 Hillview Gardens, Liverpool 25.

#### UN troops in peacekeeping roles

From Major-General H. M. Tillotson From Mr Anthony Verrier

Sir, Concern for the security of British troops and those of other nations in Yugoslavia is an understandable emotional activity. It must be recognised, however, that soldiers are selected for such hazardous humanitarian tasks exactly because they are trained. organised and commanded for duties of this kind. No one else is qualified to

Dr Stephen Pullinger fletter. November 14), while thoughtful for the safety of the men of the British contingent of the United Nations' force in Bosnia-Herzegovina, is mistaken in thinking that armed forces operating under a UN peacekeeping mandate or the protective mandate of resolution 749 (1992) are in any position to enforce anything. Nor should they be.

then UN secretary-general in 1978. in the brief pause after the first civil war in Lebanon, it was clear to me that three conditions must exist for UN peacekeeping or protective opera-

After being sent round the UN missions in the Middle East by the

The fighting has ceased, or almost ceased: the warring factions crave respite, if not yet peace; and 2 UN presence is accepted to give breathing To function, the UN mission must

have communication with and the tacit support of all parties in the prevention of further bloodshed. Although these conditions apply in some degree to the border areas of Serbia and Croatia, where the UN presence is assisting in pragmatic but

often cruel compromise, not one applies in Bosnia-Herzegovina. Now, three things might help: Demands for UN air-strike against artillery positions should cease. Such attacks would be provocative, inflict civilian casualties and be largely ineffective in that countryside.

Second. UN forces on the ground should be left to establish their own strictly localised relations with the factions, so as best to carry out humanitarian missions.

Third, international commercial pressure should be intensified on the Belgrade regime. It does not have widespread control, but it is the only strategic pressure point that remains.

Yours faithfully. H. M. TILLOTSON, PO Box 12, Bishop's Waltham, Hampshire. November 17.

#### Georgia's use of force

From Dr George Hewitt and others

Sir, The British government has shown its readiness to oppose the evils of "ethnic cleansing" by supporting UN sanctions against Serbia and by committing troops to Bosnia. This determination is to be contrasted with its attitude to events unfolding in Georgia, which we recognised in March after Eduard Shevardnadze's return and whose foreign minister, Pyotr Chikvaidze, will be in London on November 22 for a two-day visit.

Georgia has now been recognised by the EC and other Western countries; it is a signatory to the CSCE (Conference for Security and Cooperation in Europe) accords, and has been welcomed as a member of the United Nations. Despite all this, it launched a full-scale attack on the republic of Abkhazia on August 14 to prevent this region reinstituting the federative relations enjoyed with Georgia throughout the 1920s, even though negotiations on the nature of this new federation were being held at that time.

We would strongly urge the Foreign Office in its meetings with its Georgian guest to make three points abundantly dear:

1. Tbilisi must cease its use of force

#### Strain in depleted army From Lord Fanshawe of Richmond

Sir, As former Household Cavalry officers we wish to support Field Marshal Lord Bramall's letter of November 14 on army manpower. There is a simple and cheap way to help ease the situation: review the decision to cut the Household Division - a decision which will undermine both the finest military ceremonial in the world and the division's operational ability.

A balance is needed for sufficient training and operational soldiering to carry out the division's role as a reserve force ready for immediate use at home or overseas. This occurred during the Falklands war when both Household Cavalry and Foot Guards were in action. The balance is undermined by reducing the number of Foot Guard battalions.

The Household Cavalry is being asked to provide the same ceremonial commitment, based on one service unit instead of two. The solution is for the Life Guards or Blues and Royals to provide a much-needed third regular recce regiment for the Rapid Reaction Corps. The current pro-posals for the Household Division will not work.

Yours faithfully, FANSHAWE of RICHMOND. PAUL CHANNON. CHARLES GOODSON-WICKES. Palace of Westminster. November 15.

#### Clergy college

From Mrs Sarah Wood and Mrs Cathy Pullinger

Sir, In "Clergy colleges saved", by Ruth Gledhill and Paul Wilkinson (November 13), you allude to the criticism in the report "A Way Ahead" that Oak Hill College trains women inadequately.

The college attracts a good number of women students and the total number of women ordinands is only just below the recommended portion. Twenty per cent of the academic college staff are women, who are fully integrated into the educational and pastoral life of the college.

The staff are sensitive to the question of women in training and

ministry. Both men and women are free to hold their own views on this subject and are encouraged to express these with Christian love and respect. The college responds more than adequately to the training requirements for women as set out in the House of Bishops guidelines.

Yours faithfully, SARAH WOOD, CATHY PULLINGER, Oak Hill College, Chase Side, Southgate, N 14. November 13.

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#### Patient care and dignity in death

From Miss Jean Powell

Sir. The High Court decision that doctors should be permitted to withhold Tony Bland's food and fluid (report, November 20) has emphasised the parents' wish that their son should be allowed to die with dignity.

Contrary to Mr K. A. Davies's view tletter. November 11) that such a death would be "brutal". I think it brutal to submit someone to prolonged nasogastric feeding when there is no hope of recovery. The tube must need constant changing, his body functions need continual attention - at least an indignity and sure that Mr Bland's body does not, at some level, experience pain or discomfort.

In such circumstances a debate on the distinctions between "life-support systems" and artificial feeding is unbelievably cruel.

Yours sincerely. J. POWELL 20 Iris Close, Weoley Hill. Birmingham, West Midlands. November 20.

#### Public expenditure

From Mr Clive Bone

Sir, The government is concerned about public expenditure which stands at \$244 billion. Yet it has failed to ensure the use of a proven method that can reduce costs whilst maintaining the quality of public services.

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analysis (VA), neglected in Britain, but employed elsewhere in the world. particularly by the USA, Germany and Japan. VA invariably yields ten times its own costs and often more: New York City Council in 1987 saved \$114 million with a VA programme costing \$1.2 million.

VA is a step-by-step process that begins by analysing all the informa-tion regarding the service or product. continues with a "speculation stage" whereby improved methods are generated, and is followed by a thorough evaluation and the implementation of the improved methods.

A VA programme targeted to achieve an annual '2 per cent reduction in public spending without loss of quality or function is more than feasible, and would be worth £18 billion to the government over five years. Sadly it shows no interest in VA and insofar as VA is being promoted this is being left to the European

Yours faithfully. CLIVE BONE Clive Bone & Partners (Quality consultants). 30 Victoria Avenue,

Weekend Money letters, page 28

#### Heritage proposals

From Mr R. Anthony Dams

Sir, In English Heritage's "Managing England's Heritage: Setting our Priorities for the 1990s" (letters, November 20, etc.) the director writes that "we will reduce expenditure on properties in the third category (of importance) and seek to pass these over to local government" in order to make "the Heritage f go further".

I too am setting my priorities for the 1990s and trying to make my pound go further. To this end I shall cancel my membership of English Heritage and transfer my pounds to more worthy cultural causes who are trying to extend, not contract their aims and responsibilities.

Your obedient servant, R. ANTHONY DAMS, 301 Park Lane. Selston, Nottinghamshire.

#### Film buffery

From Mr Peter F. Carter-Ruck

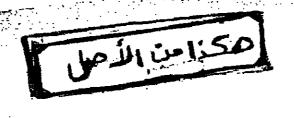
Sir, It seems clear that readers also may have a very different view of their top ten films from those of the critics (leading article, "Film literacy". November 16) and it would surely be interesting to explore this diversity. For mine, I would select (not necessarily in the following order):

Double Indemnity Casablanca La Grande Illusion Genevieve Modern Times Un Homme et Une Femme I'm Alright Jack Top Hat Rebecca The Woman in the Window. Yours faithfully, PETER CARTER-RUCK. 75 Shoe Lane, EC4.

#### **Counting the pennies** From Mr Geoffrey Norris

Sir, So the Science Museum is to replace its live science information service with a cheaper postal one because "60 per cent of people merely wanted to know the way to the lavatory" (Diary, November 18). One hopes they use first-class stamps.

Yours faithfully, GEOFFREY NORRIS, Glencot, Church Hill. Horsell, Woking, Surrey.





#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** November 20: His Excellency Mr Arthur Foulkes was received in audience by The Queen upon his appointment as High Commissioner for the Commonwealth of

Mrs Foulkes was also received by Her Majesty. His Excellency Mr Janis Lusis was received in audience by The Queen and presented his Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Latvia to the Court

of St James's. His Excellency was accompa-nied by the following member of the Embassy. Miss Marie Anne Zarine (Counsellor).

Mrs Lusis was also received by Her Majesty. Sir David Gillmore (Permanent

Under Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) was present and the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

Mr Nigel Broomfield was re-

ceived in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon his appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Bonn. Mrs Broomfield was also re-

ceived by Her Majesty.

Mr Justice Curtis was received by The Queen upon his appointment as a Justice of the High Court when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood and invested him with the Insignia

Mr Justice Lindsay was received by The Queen upon his appointment as a Justice of the High Court when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood and invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Bachelor.

November 20: The Princess Royal this morning opened the new Rehabilitation Housing Dev-elopment, Bilsland Drive, Ruchill, Glasgow, for Maryhill Housing Association Limited and was re-ceived by blast Majorathe Lord ceived by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the City of Glasgow (Mr Robert Innes, the Rt Hon the

Lord Provost.

Her Royal Highness, Patron,
Cinzens' Advice Scotland, afterwards opened the Bureau's new premises at 45 George Street, Paisley, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Renfrewshire (Major David Makgill Crichton Mahland).

The Princess Royal, Patron, the Butler Trust, then visited Her Majesty's Prison Greenock at

#### Birthdays

TODAY: Sir Alex Alexander, former chairman, J. Lyons and Company, 76; Mr Coningsby Allday, former chairman, British Nuclear Fuels, 72; Miss Beryl Bainbridge, writer, 58; Mrs Georgina Battiscombe, author, 87; Earl Beatty. 46; Mr Roy Boulting, film producer, 79; Mr J.D. Bullmore, a director, WPP Group, 63: Miss Amelia Freedman, founder, Nash Ensemble, 52: Mr Nickolas Grace, actor, 45; Dr Michael Grant, former vice-chancellor, The Queen's University, Belfast, 78; Mr Stanley Kaims, founder, Dixons Group, 61: Mr Jacques Laffite, racing driver, 49: Mr Peter Liddle, racehorse trainer. 56: Miss Natalia Makarova, ballerina, 52: Viscount Monsell, 87; Mr Tim Robinson, cricketer, 34; Mr Telly Savalas, actor, 70; Earl Waldegrave, KG, 87; Mr Mal-colm Williamson, Master of The Queen's Music, 61; Viscount Younger of Leckie, 86. TOMORROW: The Right Rev

M.E. Adie, Bishop of Guildford, 63; The Rev Lord Beaumont of Whitley, 64: Mr Boris Becker, tennis player, 25; Mr Jon Cleary, Gateside. Mrs David Bowes Lyon was in attendance. **KENSINGTON PALACE** 

November 20: The Prince of Wales this morning visited Nor-folk and was received by Captain Jonathan Peel (Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Norfolki. His Royal Highness, Patron.

Abbeyfield Society, visited the Abbeyfield Falenham Society's House at Heath View, Norwich Road, Fakenham. The Prince of Wales, President,

The Prince's Youth Business Trust and The Prince's Trust, afterwards met grant recipients and volunteers at Tollit and Harvey Limited, King's Lynn. Lieutenant Commander Robert

Fraser RN was in attendance. His Royal Highness was represented by Sir John Riddell, Bt, at the Thanksgiving Service for Professor William Mathias which was held in St Paul's Cathedral.

KENSINGTON PALACE November 20: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon today isited Aberdeen and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the City of Aberdeen (Mr James

Her Royal Highness, Patron. Tenovus and Tenovus-Scotland, this afternoon opened the Mag-netic Resonance and Imaging Centre at Aberdeen Royal infirmary.

The Princess Margaret, Countso of Snowdon, President, Royal Scottish Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, was present this evening at the Touch of Tanan Ball held at the Beach Ballroom, Aberdeen, in aid of the Society.

Mrs Charles Vyvyan was in attendance. YORK HOUSE

ST JAMES'S PALACE November 20: The Duchess of Kent today presented the prize certificates to the winners of the Tree Council's Royal Anniversary Trees Schools Competition at 35 Belgrave Square, London SWI. Mrs Colin Marsh was in

The Duchess of Kent, past Controller Commandant of the Women's Royal Army Corps, was represented by Brigadier Eileen Nolan at a Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Brigadier Dame Mary Railton which was held at St Michael's Church, Tetbury. Gloucestershire this

novelist, 75; Mr Tom Conti, actor, 50; Mr Brian Dance, headmaster, St Dunstan's College, 63; Mr Terry Gilliam, film animator, 52; Sir Peter Hall, former director, National Theatre, 62; Mr Stephen

Hough, concert pianist, 31; Sir Andrew Huxley, OM, physiologist, 75; Mrs Billie Jean King. i plaver. 49: Mrs Pat Koechlin-Smythe showjumper, 64; Mr Wayne Larkins, cricketer, 39; Mr Neil McGrath, racehorse trainer, 36; Mr Peter McMaster, former director-general, Ordnance Survey. 61; Mr John Newman. trades unionist, 61; Mr Justice Owen, 67; Mr R.M. Reeve, headmaster, King's College School, Wimbledon, 58; the Earl of Rom-ney, 82; Sir Michael Walker,

Royal engagements

dipiomat, 76.

TODAY: Prince Edward, as Patron of the Scottish Badminton Union, will attend the semi-finals of the Glasgow Carlton Scottish open championships at the Kelvin Hall International Sports Arena. Glasgow, at 3.00 and afterwards. will attend a dinner at the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall.

#### Church services tomorrow

Sunday Next Before Advent ST ASAPH CATHEDRAL Clywd: 11 Choral M. Responses (Rosel, ninhiste & Te Deum (Collegiam Regale, Howells), And I saw a new heaven (Bajmton), Rev Pr P Kinsey.

BERMINGHAM CATHEDRAL: 11 Choral
Buch, Derke in F. When the Lord turned
spain (Beiten). O saluraris hosts (Elgari,
Rev Alan Luff; 5-30 Choral Sequence for St
Cecilia (Broadcest live on BBC Badio 3.
Congregation to be seated by 5 pag.) CONGREGATION DE RESERVE OF SPINI.
CANTEREURY CATHEDRAL: 8 HC 9.30
M. Fr D Milroy; 11 S Ruch, Missa super
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tyes (Lodger). Rev N A S Bury; 3.15 E,
Responses (Ligyd), Rubbrs in A flat, Thou
has stake in Beriesely; b.30 Sermon &
Compiline. Rev J H R de Sausmaurez.
CARLESEE CATHEDRAL: 10.10 S Such

nas vinde me Berkeleyt o.30 Sermon a Compline, Rev J H R de Susmanuez. Caruslas Cattespral: 10.30 S Such, Herr Christ, der einig Gomes Sohn (Sussehude), Wadely (in F minor, Sacerdones Domini [Syrd], Concern (in D Glanded). Canon Rev Chapman: 3 E. Responses (Smith), Second Service [Syrd], Remember now my creator Staggalli, Concern (in D Glanded). Canon Rev Chapman: 3 S. Responses (Smith), Second Service [Syrd], Remember now my creator Staggalli, Concern (in D Glanded). Canon Rev Chapman: 3 S. Responses (Smith). Second Service [Syrd], Remember now my creator Staggalli, Concern (in D February Chapman). Against Del. The Vice Province (Palestrina), Agains Del. The Vice Province (Palestrina), Agains Del. The Vice Province (Palestrina), Agains Del. The Vice Province (Palestrina), Light out of durinces (Clagar), Canon Peter Southwell Sander. COVENTRY CATHEDRAL: 7.40 MF: 8 The Communion (Index Chappel of the Chies; 5.30 E. Responses (Chapel of Unity): 3 Polish Lutherans (Chapel of Unity): 3 Polish Lutherans (Chapel of the Chies; 5.30 E. Responses (Clauss). Sing we mertily (Banca), Kety in C. And when the builders (Shephari).

builders (Shephard).
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(Brucknet, Rev D Hoyle; 3.45 E with Great
St Mary's Choir, Cambridge, Freces
(Paynet, Balratow in E flat, Lift thine eyes
(Mendelssohn). ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Sombwark 6pm LM (Sat); 8, 10 (Children's service), 6 LM; 11,30 HM, Hallehrjan Chorus (Handel), Wordty is the Lamb (Hanel), Fr Anthony Barrah. Anthony Barraz.
LEICESTER CATHEDRAL 8 HC; 9.45 M:
10.30 8 Exch, Setting Haydin in Cl, Great
Shepherd of thy people, hear flyel, Rev
Donald Thorpe: 4 Choral E, Responses
(Smith), Lordy Prayer (White), Setting
(Walmistey in D), This sanchasty of my
soul (Wood), Closing Responses (Knight),
LINCER CATHEDRAL: 7.45 Libany; 8
HC 9.30 S Euch, Darke in F, Ave verum

Mr William Mathias The Prince of Wales was repre-

sented by Sir John Riddell at a

service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr William Mathias

held yesterday in St Paul's Cathe-

dral. The Dean of St Paul's officiated, assisted by the Rev

Christopher Mann, sacrist, Canon

Christopher Hill read the lesson

and Mr Kenneth Bowen read And Death shall have no Dominion by

Dylan Thomas. Dr George Guest gave an address. The Bishop of St Davids was robed and in the sanctuary. Among others present

Davids was fouch aim in the safictuary. Among others present were:

Mrs Mathias (widow), Miss Rhiannon Mathias (daughler), Mr and Mrs P Morgan (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Mr and Mrs H James, Miss Cartiana James, Miss Kirsty James, Mr and Mrs G Jones, Mr and Mrs G Jones, Mr John S Davies, Mr and Mrs G Jones, Mr John S Davies, Mr and Mrs G Jones, Mr John S Davies, Mr and Mrs G Jones, Mr Gwald Jones, Mrs Diwer Edwards, Mr David Price, Mr Matthew Morgan, Mrs M Newman, Mr G Newman, Mr R and Mrs Tretor Rees, Mrs Susan Rayner, Mr and Mrs Harold Jenkins, Mr Gwynn willianns and Mrs Sue Ruther, Mr Brown Mrs Harold Jenkins, Mr Gwynn willianns and Mrs Harold Jenkins, Mr Gorynn willianns and Mrs Harold Jenkins, Mr John Morris, Oc. Mr, and Mrs Morris, the Hon Jodin Serote, Sir Anthony and Lady Mrs-Jones, Sir Isram Jans (Mrs-Jones, Sir William and Lady Charles) Groves, Sir William and Lady Mrs-Jones, Sir David Lamsden (Royal Academy of Musich, Sir John Tooley, Mr Raiph Vaughan Williams, Mrs George Gaies, Miss Hilbary Firch, Mr Aland de Pro. Mr Gerahn Lewis, Professor and Mrs Predecick Rimmer, Mr Aled Jones, Mr and Mrs Jeuan Jones, Mr Francis Barnes, Mr Wyn Morris, Mrs Renneth Bowen, Mr and Mrs John Ruther.

Mr Michael Reddington (Liverpool Welsh Choral Union), Mr Cire Smar, (Hallé Orchestra, Marnchesteri, Mr Rroses Wurbuston (BBC World Service), Dr M Williams

Williams (S4C), Miss Nina Walker

Service dinners

Not Under Command Club Rear-Admiral C.H.D. Cooke-Priest, Flag Officer Naval Avi-

ation, was the principal guest at the annual dinner of the Not Under Command Club held last

night in HMS Osprey. Com-mander S.N. Robertson, chair-

Midland Naval Officers'

Association
The Lord Mayor of Birmingham
attended the annual dinner of the
Midland Naval Officers' Association held last night at the Council
House, Birmingham. Rear-Admiral J.P. Edwards, president, was
in the chair.

The Devoushire and Dorset

Regiment Lieutenant-General Sir John

in the chair.

corpus (Elgar), The Dean: 11 M, Responses Smith), Collegium Regale (Howelis), A Hymn for 8 Cerlis (Howelis), Canon adichael Humber.

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL: 8.45 MP; 9 HC; 10.30 S Euch, Misca Brevis (Falestina), Agnus Dei (Palestina), Canon Bruce Diment; 6.30 S, Wood in D. For it is a spirit (Britten), Rev Ian Weller. POT II IS A SPIRIT (BIRKEN), REV JEM WEIGER, ST PAULES CATHEDRAL & HC 10.30 M. TO DOWN & SERVICE, SIND AS SERVICE, GIODON, REV CARTSOOMER HIBE 11.30 HC. Messe Solisumelle In C sharp mines (Vierne), Let all mortal flesh keep silence (Bairstow), 3.15 E. Rubbra in A. But, And I saw a new heavin (Bairstow), Rev Alexander Formorpolus.

ST PAULES CATHEDRAL, Dunder & HC. 9.40 Sung Communion; 11 Choral Euch, Jesu duick (Shephard, The Provest 6.30 Choral E. Naytor in A. The Provest.

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Woolwich.

WELLS CATHEDRAL: 8 HC 9.45 S Euch,
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WESTMINSTER ABERT: 10 M. Rev C
Semper: 11 M St Margarets Chutch, hev
Roger Rollower, 11.15 Abbey Euch, new 1
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Organ rectar; 6.30 ES. Canon E James. Organ recini; 6.30 Ex. Canon E James.
WESTMONSTER CATHEDRAL: Messes ?,
8. 9, 12. 5.30 & 7. 10.30 SM, Messe
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3.30 Solemny & 8. Magnificat octivi toni
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VORA MINISTER; 8 & 8.45 RC; 10.5 Ench.
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Nimbus Recordsi, Mr Julian Elidway (Oxford University Press), and Mrs Elidway, Mrs Diane Code (Incorporated Society of Musicians) Mr Robert Ponsoaby (Musicians) Mr Robert Ponsoaby (Musicians) Mr Robert Ponsoaby (Musicians) Mr Robert Ponsoaby (Musicians) Mr John Brytspool (Guide of Musicians), Mr Martin How (Royal School of Church Music Pentrus), Mr Leonard Krause (London Organists Guide), Mr Andrew Brun (Royal Terepool Philiparmonic Society), Mr Faul McGlicht (Dondon Weish Chornie), Mrs Jenniker Vernor-Miller (Barch Choir), Mr David Klyan (Friends of the Royal Academy of Music, Mr AJ Heward Rees (editor, Weish Ollage of Music, Mr AJ Heward Rees (editor, Weish Music and chalirman, National Elszeddfod Music Panel), Mr David Nevens (Weish Chilege of Music, Mr Salth Hardingham (Abborshoime Arts Society, Roceson).

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Wilsey, Colonel of The Devonshire

and Dorset Regiment, presided at the annual dinner of the officers'

association held last night at the Army and Navy Club. The Bishop of Sherborne and Bishop to the

Forces was the principal guest.

The Queen's Regiment
Major-General M.F. Reynolds,
the last Colonel of The Queen's
Regiment, presided at the final
regimental dinner held last night
at the Park Lane Hotel.

HAC
Major-General G.S. Hollands was
the principal guest and speaker at
the annual dinner of 2 Squadron
Honourable Artillery Company
and its affiliated vetezan units held
last night at Armoury House.
Major P.D.C. Vyvyan-Robinson
presided. Major P.F. Wynter Bee
and Second Lieuenant R.W.
Rainbow also spoke.

Memorial service

Lord (Tye). How lovely are Thy dwellings fair (Brahms), The Chaplain, the Brahmes, The Chaplain.

CHAPEL ROYAL Hampton Court Palace.

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Schubert), Rev G K Kirk.

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C D Wardes. BUG 11 & SOUL, MARIA DELIVER WAS AND STANDERS, SUSSEX GARDERS, WZ: 8 HC. 10:30 9 Etich, Harwood in A firit, Ye are Richeld of the Lord (Wesley), Rev Best Galloway, & Carriers Richeld St (Bruckner), Rev Galloway, & Carriers Richeld St (Cruckner), Rev Galloway, & Carriers, St MARSA, Regents Park Rd, NW1: 8 HC, 10 Family C 11 Song Buch, Missa Browly (Rriters), Rev on Indocentium (Ireland), Rev John Chaler.

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HC. ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS, WC2-8 HC. ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS, WC2-8 HC. S45 Exch., Mass (Stokes), Locus ister Bruckneri, Ciberii Bor (Byrd), The Victor II.30 Vistors to London Service, Canasie Doudlao (Pinnil), Responses (Rose), Sing loyfully (Byrd), Rev Martin Herwoot 2.45 Chiques Service; 5 Choral E. Responses (Rose), Magnificat/Nunc. Dimitis (St. Paul's Service Howelis), A Hymn for St. Cecilla (Howelis); 6.30 ES, Rev Sean Cathre.

ST MARY'S, Bourne Street, SW1: 9, 9.45, 7.30 LM; 11 RM, Mass In C Spauronesse With Orchestra (Mozard, Fr Christopher

Joanna Foster, chair of the

Equal Opportunities Com-

mission, who is to receive

an honorary doctorate of

letters from Kingston University. Smart Hall, professor of sociology at the Open University, and Lord Desai, professor of economics at the London School of Francisco

School of Economics and

Political Science, will also

receive honorary degrees

at the university's faculty

of human sciences degree

ceremony at Queen Eliza-

beth Hall, London, on

Monday.

Royal College of Radiologists
Dr Keith Simpleins delivered the
annual Skinner lecture to the
Royal College of Radiologists yesterday at the Royal College of
Physicians after the admission of
fellows at which Professor H.K.
Bernie Huang and Professor Peter
Mansfield were admitted to
honorary fellowship of the Royal
College of Radiologists.

River Thames Society
Mr Alan Wood, Master of the
Company of Watermen and
Lightermen of the River Thames,
accompanied by Mrs Wood, was
the guest of honour at a reception

given by the Lower Tideway branch of the River Thames Soci-ety at the Watermen's Hall.

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ST COLUMBATE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND,
PORT Street, SWI: 11 Rev W Alexander:
Chiras 6:30 Rev John H. McLindoe.
CROWN COURT CHURCH OF
SCOTLAND, COVERT GRIDER. WCM: 11.15 &
2.30 Rev Scotland. CROWN COURT ENURCE OF SCOTLAND, Cowent Garden, WCZ: 11.15 & 6.30 Rev Stanley Hood.

EARLM STREET, W1: 7.30, 8.30, 10, 12.15

FRANCIS Edwards, 4.15, 5 Mendeissohn, Graucio Lauda Sion, followed by Solema, 8, 6.15 Ld: 11 - RM. Christos Vincis, Spatter Mass (Morani, Jubilate Deo (Mchinged), Ave Verum Corpus Dupură.

1502 ORATORY, Brompton Road, SW7: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Mass, Milas Pro Victoria, (Victoria), Autolite portas (Byrd), 12.30, 4.30, 7; 3.30 V & B, Jesu Rex adminabilis, Prelicitud).

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AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON.
TOISCHAM CHUR II, 19.45 Sunday
School; 11 Working, Rev J Schmidt.
EALVATION ARMY (Regent Hall), Oxford
St W1: St Anne and St Agnes (Indomen).
Steiner St, EC:: 11 Charles C. Rev R T
England: 7 Jazz Vesper, St Annet Lez
Choir and Jazz Trio with the Guildhall
Jazz Singer, Rev Simon Everson.

WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road, EC2: 9.45 HC: 11 MS, Rev Paul Hubbe. WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL Methodist, SWI: 11 & 6.30 Dr R John Tubor

#### **Dinners**

Hockerili Educational

The Bishop of Bedford, Chairman of the Hockerill Educational Poundation, was host at a dinner held last night at the Waldorf Hotel after the Rev Dr John Polkinghorne, President of Queens' College, Cambridge, had delivered the 1992 Hockerill lecture at King's College, London. International Law Association Lord Slynn of Hadley, Chairman of the Executive Council of the International Law Association, presided at a dinner held last night at the Garrick Chib.

Assistant Commission New Scotland Yard Sir Peter Imbert, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, presided at the annual dinner of the Assistant Commissioners' Mess. New Scotland Yard, held last night

at New Scotland Yard. Oil Industries Club Mr Tim Eggar, Minister for Energy, was the principal speaker at the annual dinner of the Oil Industries Club held last night at Grosvenor House Mr V.E. Thomas, president, was in the chair and Mr Dickie Davies also

#### Order of St John

spoke.

The Duke of Gloucester, Grand returns today from the United States where he completed a series of visits to the American Society of the Order in New York. Washington, Dallas, and San Francisco. He was accompanied by the Lord Prior (Lord Vestey), the Chancellor (Professor Anthony Mellows) and Mrs Mellows, the Hospitaller (Sir Godfrey Milton-Thompson) and Lady Milion-Thompson, the Pro-vost of the Society (Reverend John Andrew), and senior officers and members of the Society.

Service luncheon The Devonshire and Doeset

Regiment
The annual regimental kincheon
of the Devonshire and Dorset Regiment Officers' Association was held yesterday at the New Connaught Rooms. Lieutenant-General Sir John Wilsey presided.

#### **Forthcoming** marriages

Mr J.V. Booth and Miss J.C. Comby The engagement is announced and the marriage will take place shortly abroad between James. youngest son of Mr and Mrs Bill Booth, of Engletield Green, Surrey, and Chantal, second daughter of the lase Dr Anthony Coady and of Mrs Sybil Coady, of Forest Hill, London.

Mr M.J.W. Daley and Miss E.J. Hobson The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr D.W. Daley, of Cockfosters and of Mrs AJ. Reynolds, of Lyminge, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Hobson, of Chiswick. Mr C.M. Hawkins and Miss S.T. Montagu

The engagement is announced between Christopher Hawkins, of Fulham, and Sarita Montagu, of West Meon. Mr R.N.H. Swales and Miss A.M.N. Bullivant

and Miss A.M.N. Benivaria
The engagement is announced
between Roger, younger son of Mr
and Mrs Michael Swales, of
Bridgnorth, Shropshire, and
Anne-Marie, elder daughter of Mr
and Mrs Peter Bullivant, of Dodleston, Chester.

Mr C.H. Knight and Miss A.M. Usher-Smith The engagement is announced between Charles Henry, elder son of Mr and Mrs Robert Knight, of St Brides Major, Mid Glamorgan, and Lalley, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Merlin Usher-Smith, of Wimbish Hall, Saffron Walden

Mr S.I. McLean

and Miss A.I. Davies The engagement is announced between Stephen, son of Mr and Mrs A.L. McLean, of Namobi, Kenya, and Angela daughter of Mr and Mrs IT. Davies, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire

Mr G.A. Mensing
and Miss E.A. Rose
The engagement is announced
between Gavin Alistair, only son of
Mr and Mrs Harry Mensing, of
Epson, and Elaine Alison, elder
daughter of Commander and Ma daughter of Commander and Mrs John Rose, of Wimbledon.

Mr R.P. Toose and Miss A.M. Godwin The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mr and Mrs P.T. Toone, of Rotherham, Yorkshire, and Amanda, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.A. Godwin, of Heswall, Wirtal.

#### **Anniversaries**

BIRTHS: Voltaire, philosopher, man of letters, scientist, Paris, 1694; Samuel Cunard, shipowner, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 1787; Wal-Halifax, Nova Scotia, 1787; Wafter William Steist, etymologist,
London 1835; Sir Lestie Ward
(Spr), caricaturist, London, 1851;
Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch, man of
letters, Bodmin, 1863; Arthur
"Hatpo" Marx, actor and comedian, New York, 1888; René
Magnitte, Surreaist painter,
Lessines, Belgium, 1898; Coleman Hawkins, jazz massician, St man Hawkins, jazz musician, St. Joseph, Missouri, 1904. DEATHS: Sir Thomas Gresham.

founder of the Royal Exchange, London, 1579; Henry Purcell, composer, London, 1695; James Hogg, writer, the Ethick Shep-berd, Altrive, Borders, 1835; Franz Joseph I, Emperor of Austria and King of Hungary, Vienna. 1916; Hermann Sudermann, witer, Berlin, 1928; James Barry Hertzog, Prime Minister of South Africa 1924-39, Pretoria, 1942; Sir Chandrasekhara Raman, physicist, Nobel laureate 1930, Bangalore, India, 1970. The first free flight in a balloon was made, Paris, 1783. The German High Seas fleet surrendered, 1918. 20 people were killed and nearly 200 injured in an IRA bomb

explosion, Birmingham, 1974. Tomorrow BIRTHS: Richard Neville (The Kingmaker), Earl of Warwick and Earl of Salisbury, 1428; Robert de La Salle, explorer in America,

Rouen, 1643; Dagald Stewart, philosopher, Edinburgh, 1753; Andreas Hofer, Tyrolese patrior, St Leonhard, Austria, 1767; Thomas Leonhard, Austria, 1767; Thomas Cook, pioneer of travel agencies, Melbourne, Derbyshire, 1808; George Eliot, movelist, Chilvers Coton, Warwickshire, 1819; Justin McCarthy, novelist and historian, Cork, 1830; George Gissing, novelist, Wakefield, 1857; Cecl Sharp, founder of the English Folk Dance Society, London, 1859; André Gide, writer, Nobel laureate 1947; Paris, 1869; Charles de Gaulle, general, President of Prance 1958-69, Lille, 1890; Hoagy Carmichael, pianist and composer, Rhomington, Indiana, 1899; Benjamin Britten, Baron Britten, Lowestoft, 1913.

DEATHS: Sir Martin Probisher.

DEATHS: Sir Martin Probisher, navigator, Plymouth, 1594; John Tillotson, Archbishop of Canter-bury 1691-94, London, 1694; Robert Clive, Barron Clive of Plassey, Governor of Bengal, commit-ted suicide, London, 1774; John Stackhouse, botanist, Bath, 1819; John Thadeus Delane, Editor of The Times 1841-77, Ascot, 1879; Sir Arthur Sullivan, composer, London, 1900; Jack London, novelist, Glen Ellen, California, 1916; Lorenz Hart, song writer, New York, 1943; Sir Arthur Eddington, astronomer, Cambridge, 1944; C.S. Lewis, writer, Oxford, 1963; Aldous Huxley, novelist, Los Angeles, 1963; John F. Kennedy, 35th American President 1961-63, assassinated, Dallas, 1963; Mae West, actress, Los Angeles,

#### Church news

wauschapel.
The Rev Leonard Colton, Curate, Shepton
Mathet to be also Chaplain of Hot Prison,
Shepton Mallet (Bath and Wells).
The Rev Denya de la Hoyde, Viou, Pool w
Arthington, and Diousan Director of
Ordinands to be after an Honorary Canon,
of Ripon Cathedral.

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The Rev Renary Pairhead, Canasi-incidence, St. Augustine, Conhaine Pairie to be vicus, Our Moss Boly Redeemer and st. Mark, Clerkenvell (London).

The Rev Michael Geach, vicus, veryant to be also an Honorary Canon of Truro Cathedral (trum).

The Rev Faul Greenwell, Minor Canon and Precauce of Ripon Cathedral, and Chaptain at the University College of Ripon and York St. Pohon Repon camposit to be vicus, St. Mary, Hunsiet (Ripon).

The Rev Paul Golor, Recur., Seacont Team Ministry and Vicus in charge. St. James, Leeds: to be also an Honorary Canon of Ripon Cathedral.

The Rev Vicus, Charleston. Vicus, Venerable Bede, Wyther, Leeds: to be also an Honorary Canon of Ripon Cathedral.

The Rev Vicus, Pairon. Vicus, Venerable Bede, Wyther, Leeds: to be also an Diocesan Video Adviser (Ripon).

The Rev Thoodry Lipscomb, Cursie, St. Thooras, Stammork, etc. to be Vicus, Armier W. New Wortley (Dipon).

RENTALS

The Rev Robin Agrenough, Antheniy Chaplain and Hand of Religious Mitration. Durham School (Durham): w be Chaplain and Hand of Religious Education, Gresbam's School (Norwich). The Rev Catherine Ogle, furnestly Curate St. Mary, Middlennis: to be part-dime Religious Programmes Reline, BBC Radio Leeds, and non-stipendisty Dencou, St. Margant and All Hallows, Leeds (Ripora). Statigues and Paton, Vicar, St Mary Cable Street to be Priest-In-charge, S Barmabas, Grove Road (London). The Res Nigel Pocock, Rector, Camborne to be also in Honorary Camp of Camborne Cambo Cuthedral (Truro).

The Rev Andrew Stricker. Chaptein at Edinburgh. University, and Assistant Curate, Old St Paul's Church, Edinburgh: to be Team Vicer. Domitable Priory ist Albama. Albami,
The Rev Makroim Spenociet, Vicar, Middleshrough, The Ascension: to be Vicar, Newby Clock,
The Rev John Tadman, Vicar, Feissed: to be purchime Anglican Chapiain of Wariey Hospital, and Resource Minister In Breaswood deameny (Chelmsford).

The Rev Richard Thind, necessity retired as Bishop of Dowes to be Assistant Bishop in the diocese of Bath and Wells.

The Rev Richard Wiggen, Priest-in-charge, Mesinwood, Leson: to be Vicar, Mesuwood (Ripon).

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COLLES - On November 14th 1992, to Jackie and Alian, a son, Samuel James, a brother for Emma.

DALY - On November 18th 1992, at Queen Chartothe's, to Sherry (tole Harris) and Stuppen, a son, Joshun Sasar Stephen Wilman, weighing 7th 11cs at 10.31 am.

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ÉNÉLEBRIGHT - On No ber 17th, peacefully at home, foreign Mary, aged 87, dearly loved mother, grind-hother and special friend to many. The world is minding a very special person. Nationa Rema.

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DEATHS GARRIARD - Liften (Plorence), widow of (George) Learn Ciraliam Barratid, mother of Michael, Roger and Sandra, Functal Service St. Marry's Church. Stoke Bishop. Bristol. Frider November 27th. 11.30 act. Buriof Cantord Carbetary at 12 acon. Doubleton for Bristol Dog. House may be sent to Thecase. Bouttreffe Lodge, Bristol, 583 1DJ (6272-661965), 583 1DJ (6272-661965).

GODMAN - On November 16th, at Barisvington Manor, (Florence) May, aged 96, Funeral at St Ofice, Craffism, 11.30cm Monday November 22rd followed by private cremation, Florence c/o W. Bryder, 1 mington, bileshone: (0798) 42174, MAXWELL — On 18th November 1992, pencelully, Vernon Servemen, beloved trusband of Betry and inher of Lytin and match loved father of Pattle and Tim. Service or Remembrance at the Clearch of St. James, North Wrands, on Monday November 30th at 12 noon. No flowers, Denations, if defred, to Tethoury Gloucestershive.

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#### DOROTHY KIRSTEN

Dorothy Kirsten American soprano, died in Los Angeles on November 18 from complications following a stroke. She was born on July 6 in Montclair. New Jersey. A number of different years are quoted for her birthdate of which 1915 is one but it could have been earlier.

ONE film brought Dorothy Kirsten a public far beyond the audiences at America's leading opera houses. This was The Great Caruso. Mario Lanza was Caruso and Kirsten the screen soprano who, somewhat improbably, seemed to partner him every time he sang at The Met. The film was ridiculed in 1951 by certain opera buffs, but it made MGM a substantial amount of money and has kept its popularity. Jose Carreras is in the habit of saying that a childhood visit to The Great Caruso first sparked his desire to be an international tenor. Among those less keen on

Dorothy Kirsten's screen appearance was the then general manager of The Met. Rudolf Bing, who did not much like one of his leading sopranos firing with Hollywood. He had already had difficulties with Helen Traubel, a decade or so older than Kirsten, who had a penchant for singing in night clubs. Smoke, Bing reckoned, got not only in the eyes but in the voice. But on a number of occa-

sions Dorothy Kirsten had helped him out when the going became rough and the

Price found the role of Minnie in Puccini's La fanciulla del West too taxing for her and Kirsten was called to the rescue. Dorothy Kirsten's musical

history, might have spotted that the cameras would have held their attractions. She was first spotted and helped at the start of her career by another American soprano, Grace Moore. No one had been more adept than Miss Moore in combining a career at The Met with one on screen. One Night of Love in the 1930s had the same popular success as The Great Caruso.

The young Dorothy Kirsten supported her studies at the

Juilliard by working for a telephone company and later acting as maid and secretary to her singing teacher. Grace Moore heard her sing on radio, when she was set on a musical comedy career, and helped pay for further opera study with Astolfo Pescia in Italy. In 1947 Kirsten was to acknowledge her sponsor by taking the title role of Charpentier's Louise at The Met and dedicating the per-formance to Grace Moore -Louise had been one of Moore's greatest roles and one that she had filmed.

1961-2 season, Leontyne

Bing, if he had looked at

The tiny part of Pousette in Massenet's Manon was the one in which Dorothy Kirsten made her stage debut, in Chicago in 1940. She moved to the New York City Opera in 1944 and the following year made her first appearance at The Met. as Mimi. There she

breakthrough came with the

creation of Pegasus, the com-

bined team of Oxford and

Cambridge, and he was pre-

ferred to Weir for their first

entry into the Amateur Cup in

1948. The history of Pegasus

was meteoric, romantic and

brief, withering by the early

1960s. But Brown's contribu-

their third season, 1950-51.

The club won the cup in

tion was notable.

was to stay, with only a couple of breaks, until her official farewell as Tosca on New Year's Eve, 1975. She was reckoned to be the first prima donna to celebrate a 30th

anniversary with the house.

Although Dorothy Kirsten appeared in some contemporary opera, including Walton's Troilus and Cressida, she was a specialist in the popular lyric roles, especially of Puccini. Mimi and Butterfly led to Tosca and the Minnie of Fanciulla.

the nineteenth century French repenory and made several forays into more popular music. She appeared on screen with Bing Crosby in Mr. Music and recording with Gordon MacRae. She had her own radio show and made regular appearances on television and in the concert hall. But the career was very much an American one. She

She was impressive too in

was heard little overseas, although she did achieve notoriety as the first American soprano to sing in the Soviet Union after the war. This was in 1962 when relations between the two countries were at their nadir. The director of the Tiflis Opera hailed her as a link "in the chain of friendship".

After she retired from the stage Dorothy Kirsten wrote her biography A Time To Sing (1982) and devoted her energies to helping those who were suffering from Alzheimer's disease, which caused the death of her husband, John Douglas French, a neurosurgeon, in 1989.

defeating the legendary Bish-op Auckland 2-1, thanks in

part to Brown's remarkable

penalty save from Dexter Ad-

ams minutes from time in the

#### **BRIAN HARVEY**

Brian Harvey, features editor of The Daily Telegraph 1960-76, died on November 5 aged 78. He was born on April 14. 1914.

BRIAN Harvey possessed. some cynics would say, the most important pre-requisite for a satisfactory career in Fleet Street journalism: a private income. For a time he dabbled in race-horse owning. It pleased him to have a hobby more litting for newspaper proprietors than for newspaper employees.

One was or another, he earned a place as a Fleet Street character while he was features editor of The Daily Telegraph. According to one standing joke, this was a post akin to being Holy Roman Emperor when there was not much of an empire left; one of the peculiarities of the Telegraph at that period was that it had few features, in the journalistic sense of the word, to

But Harvey was an important - sometimes alarmingly important - figure because of another peculiarity of the way the paper was then organised. It was run almost as if it were two entities, one a hard-nosed newspaper, competing to some extent with the tabloids and with no false pride about reporting sex and violence, and the other a paper that competed in the quality market led by The Times, in providing commentary on politics, the arts and current affairs.

Relations between these two schools of journalism conducted under the same roof could be hostile. Harvey, combative, prickly, slightly bureaucratic.

The Rev George

Hoffman, OBE, founder

of Tear Fund, was killed

in a road accident near

Gloucester on October 16.

aged 59. He was born in

Birkenhead on August 27

1933.

GEORGE Hoffman, created

The Evangelical Alliance Re-

lief (TEAR) Fund and, as its

director, guided its fortunes for its first 21 years. He saw its

first year's income of £34,000

grow to £15 million before he

An only child of Christian

parents, he left Birkenhead School with no academic dis-

tinction worth mentioning

Despite his upbringing, he

had little interest in the Chris-

tian faith but went through a

"Damascus Road" conversion

at a fairly typical evangelistic rally in the RAF. Soon after

his return to civilian life, while

working in a commercial arts studio, he became conscious of

a call to the Church of En-

and spent his national service

moved on.



saw his role as fighting the "quality" corner — and putting down markers for the when commonsense would prevail and the two sides would come together. But his abrasive style could be counter-productive.

It was not a case simply of the hostility that can exist on many newspapers, sometimes to their benefit, between tough professionals and starry-eved intellectuals. The news side of the Telegraph did not lack intellectual calibre and had plenty of people who were seasoned professionals by any newspaper criterion. In any case Harvey, a stern upholder of traditional journalistic disciplines, saw his duty as keeping the "other side" up to scratch. Contributors who failed to meet a deadline tended, after an interview with Harvey. never to be late a second time.

In the eyes of the news men Harvey had the disqualification of an Oxford education. But he was a newspaper pro at his best in a crisis, jacket off, head down, ashtray at the ready, despatching copy fast

**REV GEORGE HOFFMAN** 

and accurately and imaginatively. In the right mood he could ger through in a couple of hours what was a day's work for some of his colleagues. And those couple of hours would probably have included a session pouring over the form books he took his horse racing seriously.

WEEKE

Frustrated by being, as he saw it under-used he was exposed to the best known occupational hazard of Fleet Street. He became one of the most familiar denizens of the King and Keys pub. which was among the earthier establishments catering for journalists in Fleet Street's heyday. Conversation there of an evening could sometimes be fiere: and stimulating. Sometimes it was just fierce. In his Oxford days Harvey was reckoned to have been violently left-wing. His views changed but the violence remained

Harvey's first wife, by whom he had a son, had died in 1960. His home in a sense became the K and K, and the hours spent there got longer once it became clear that his dream of succeeding to the editorship of the paper, and presiding over the merging of the "two-sides", would never

happen.

By that time tension had been focused into a biner personal battle between Harvey and an equally redoubtable figure. Peter Eastwood. who headed the news side. Eastwood, relatively teetotal and unhampered by an Oxbridge background, effectively won the struggle.

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Harvey was also pre-de-ceased by his second wife. Shelagh McCormick, who was the paper's local govern-

#### BEN BROWN

Mimi on the same stage as the

flamboyant Ljuba Welitsch as Musetta in Bohème. Munsel

fled and Kirsten stood in for

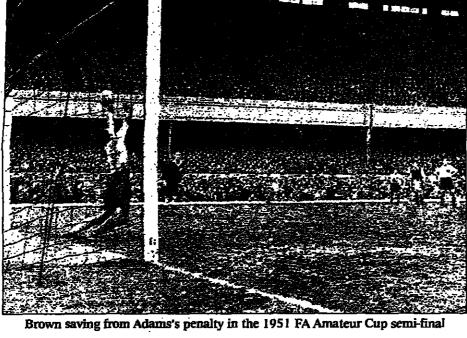
her. Some years later, in the

Ben Brown, chemist amateur international goalkeeper and fellow of Oriel College, Oxford, died on September 28 aged 66. He was born on January 3, 1926.

BEN Brown was the son of a Yorkshire miner, who died in mining accident when his child was only five. Brown, who was brought up by a mother determined to give him the best possible education, epitomised the socialtransformation of the post-war years. He was an early beneficiary of the liberalisation of Oxford and Cambridge entry.

His shy nature, unchanging with success, disguised the many abilities that made him a path-beater for a new generation, whose interests he work and play until prema-turely struck down by motor neurone disease, ironically the same affliction suffered by a fellow Oxford international

sportsman, John Tanner. Excelling at science at Mexborough Grammar School — and becoming a fluent reader of French and German — Ben Brown won a county scholarship to Oxford where he obtained a first in chemistry in 1947. In collaboration with D Hammick, his Oriel tutor and a fellow of the Royal Society.



his research work for his DPhil led to frequent papers in the Journal of the Chemical Society. This prominence earned him an 1851 Exhibition senior scholarship at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, where he developed research in the organic field of vegetable and insect pigments and related dves.

situation tricky. Once was

when Patrice Munsel, an at-

tractive but lightweight sopra-

no in the Deanna Durbin

mould, took fright at singing

Returning to a fellowship at Oriel in 1954, Brown

launched into independent research of heterocyclic oxygen compounds and dangerous carcenogenic nitrosamines. Up to the time of his death he was working on a book on aliphatic nitrogen

compounds. When Brown first arrived at Oxford, the goalkeeping position in the university XI was occupied by the well-estab-lished Colin Weir. Brown's

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semi-final against Hendon at Highbury, enabling a replay and victory. A fortnight later he was awarded the first of seven England caps against Scotland. His reliability was so undemonstrative that it seemed at times he was unaware of his achievements, so that he was a target for the irreverent humour that was always present in the team. Off the field, his own wry comments, barely audible, were often a foil to the boistrous exaggerations of Harold Thompson, Oxford physics professor and the team's founder. Brown's performances won

ace in the British Olympic team of 1952. The following year Pegasus won the cup again, defeating Harwich 6-0, the final again drawing 100,000 spectators to Wembley as the dreamhorse took wing.

In 1985 Brown became chairman of the university senior treasurer's committee, the body funding 60 university sports clubs, and he did much to promote the interests of women's sport. In 1963 he married Hilda Imlach, fellow of St Hilda's College, Oxford, by whom he is survived.



Mervyn Stockwood, he married, and served curacies in fore being appointed assistant secretary of the Evangelical Alliance and assistant editor of Crusade magazine, which was a lasting legacy of the 1954 Billy Graham Harringay crusade. One day in 1968. Morgan Derham, the secretary, handed him a file marked "EA Refugee Fund"

gland's ministry and set about and Tear Fund was born. acquiring, in the early morn-It is no secret that Evangelicals, both inside and outside ings, the necessary qualifications to gain entry to Bristol the Church of England, had at that time a strong suspicion about relief and aid agencies University where he read The-Ordained in 1961, by like Christian Aid and Hoff-

man threw all his energies into changing that attitude. A year before, he had been one of the youthful agitators who had transformed the Keele Congress into a watershed for Anglican Evangelicals and through Tear Fund he captured the idealism of a whole generation whose eyes were opened to the dimension of tragedy on a global scale, involving famine, flood, earthquake, and a massive refugee problem. Hoffman criss-

crossed the world. His face could move from pain and horror to humour in a few seconds. His voice could be strong, gentle, full of passionate intensity and yet the underlying Merseyside wit a good journalist. It was a recipe which caught the attention of thousands of

Christian people and turned their minds to the alleviating of human need across the world. Money poured in. In 1989 Hoffman was ap-

pointed OBE. After more than two decades, he parted company with his brainchild and was appointed vice president of Samaritan International. an American relief and development agency.

He leaves a widow and three daughters.

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According to established precedent. November 15 is the date on which the gambling season should open at Monte Carlo. On that day, Monaco's official jour de fere, the bathing season being over and done with, the greatly decorated gentlemen of the "Conseil d'Administration de la Société des Bains de Mer" begin to take themselves and their duties very seriously. On that day all the officials of the Casino, from the guardians of the outer courts to the least of the detectives that stand behind the croupiers, begin to take note of the first gathering of worshippers at the shrine of the fickle goddess. But Monte Carlo has suffered the common fate; for the moment its accustomed business and pleasures have sunk to trivial insignificance, all forgotten in humanity's urgent issues of life

To-day, on November 15, at the hour when, in normal times, the world of frivolous sport and fashion would be moving lowards its Palace of Golden Dreams, I sat outside the

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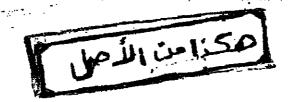
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This article appeared to reflect the opinion held in many quarters that the war would be

Casé de Paris, reflecting on the whirligie of Time and the pitiful destinies of man which had made this for once an appropriate and comfortable place for meditation . . .

Nowhere was there any sign of Petrograd or Chicago, London or Paris, in pursuit of excilement: even the Rue de la Paix was conspicuous by its absence. In fact, probably for the first time within the memory of living man, the Monegasque had retained possession of his own at a season when he is usually expected to abandon the stage and seat himself respectfully in the audience. Today the aboriginal lords for tenants of the soil, the 23,000 permanent inhabitants of the Principality of Monaco, were enjoying an unwonted usufruct. They who, when Croesus. Midas and Lalage roll up in spendour to the Fane of Fortune, are accustomed to look from afar as poor relations and humble beneficiaries were now enjoying undisputed possession of their heritage

Making my way out through the solemn place where magisterial clerks are wont to scrutinise the apparel and social standing of applicants for cards of admission to the Casino (that place from which a Prime Minister of England was once turned away because of his unfashionable and somewhat dowdy appearance), I observed that a large portion of its space was occupied by a very excellent map of Europe, all nearly decked with many-coloured flags, while above it hung several striking specimens of the French cartoonist's conceptions of the personality and proceedings of his Majesty the Emperor Wilhelm; from which I gathered that despite all previous experience to the contrary, the croupier, too, is human, and that even in this independent Principality of Monaco the flowing tide of war on the fields of Flanders is a matter more absorbing than the fortunes of rouge et noir or trente et quarante . . .



#### **NEWS**

#### Gatt deal lifts trade war threat

Europe and America broke the two-year deadlock over farm subsidies with a deal that lifts the threat of a transatlantic trade war and brings hope of a boost to world economies.

Negotiators said they had resolved their differences on the main issues and expected that the breakthrough would work. "A trade war has been averted." Frans Andriessen, the EC's external affairs commissioner said ...... ... Pages 1, 10

#### **Blaze damages Windsor Castle**

■ More than 200 firefighters and 35 appliances were last night still battling to contain a blaze which severely damaged the state apartments at Windsor Castle threatening one of the ......Pages 1, 3 world's greatest art collections.....

#### Winter gloom

Ministers were under renewed pressure to intensify their efforts to promote economic recovery after Labour predicted that without swift action 250,000 more jobs would be lost this ... Page 1 winter.

#### Rail strike threat

The spectre of a protracted bout of industrial action hung over the railways as rail union leaders began preparations for a series of lightening strikes in protest over plans to lay-off 5,000 ..... Page 2

#### Sex killer jailed

A lodger who crept into a fouryear-old boy's bedroom at night and strangled him into silence while sexually assaulting him was jailed for life. James Cochrane. 25. was found guilty of murdering Matthew Robinson at his parents' Devon boardmg house .... ... Page 5

#### Whiff of scandal

The investigation into the perfame industry announced by the Monopolies and Mergers Com-

mission could threaten the large profit margins of the fragrance houses and shatter their image of exclusivity... .... Page 6

#### Anglican hope

Proposals to enable disaffected Anglicans to remain within the Church of England are being drawn up by the Bishop of London, Dr David Hope. He led 12 bishops in issuing a statement which acknowledged the "considerable anxiety, distress and hurt"..... ...... Page 7

#### Blockade agreed

Nato yesterday agreed to enforce the United Nations trade embargo on the rump Yugoslavia, giving its vessels in the Adriatic power to stop and search merchant ships suspected of violating the ban .... ... Page 8

#### Sanctions bite

Iraq has been plunged into its most serious economic disarray since sanctions were imposed two years ago, with differences over policy emerging inside the regime of President Saddam Hussein .....

#### Mother, 18, took dead baby home

A teenage mother who was allowed by a Liverpool hospital to take home the body of her stillborn baby boy became hysterical after she bathed and clothed the body and laid it in a crib. The child was born 16 weeks prematurely and the 



Thumbs up: students from Thames Valley University in Park Lane, London, taking part in a sponsored hitch-hike to Paris in support of Children in Need. The organisers hope to raise £20,000 from the 500 hikers taking part

#### BUSINESS

Mortgages: National Home Loans has reported record losses of £146 million for the year to end-September and warned 57,000 mortgage holders its increased cost of borrowing means it has to keep mortgage .... Page 19 rates high.....

Markets: Shares closed within five points of their all time high as the FT-SE 100 index jumped 26.2 points to 2732.4 in response to reports that a Gatt deal had been reached. The pound slipped from \$1.5339 to \$1.5219 and gained nearly half a pfennig against the mark to 2.4221\_ .. Page 22

#### SPORT

Rugby: Australia, the world charnpions, take on the optimistic Welsh. Shaken by defeats at Swansea and Llanelli and a hard-earned victory against Wales B, the Australians will be looking to end their tour on a high note before meeting the Barbarians...

#### Dark side of the moon: Pink Floyd,

says rock critic David Sinclair, have "turned out to have a curious and unexpected resonance in the 90s". Just as well, perhaps: eight CDs of the group's finest hours have just been issued. And for those who really want a dose of Sixties nostalgia. Bob Dylan has a new album, the first since 1962 to feature the master's voice accompanied by nothing except his own guitar and harmonica......Weekend Page 16

Battle of the consumptives: Rival recordings of Verdi's opera La Traviata are issued at the same time: will it be all-American Cheryl Studer or sultry Slovak Edita Gruberova that gets the thumbs-....Weckend Page 16

Strindberg sung: As part of the Barbican's Scandinavian Festival, part of a new opera setting Strindberg's A Dream Play receives its British premiere in London tomorrow.......Weekend Page 16

#### SIMON JENKINS

I can see no point at all in the bizarre school league tables published last Thursday. The listing of the "best and worst" schools in England was so grotesque I wondered if it was meant as a coded lesson in unfairness ....... Page 14

#### CHRIS HOPSON

What would an arts council of the airwaves do? ... It would create an internal market and split programme purchasers from providers. But it is also a Trojan horse for many who are outright opponents of the BBC. It would mean the death of the BBC by a thousand .. Page 14

#### DANIEL JOHNSON

An examination of the myths and disputes surrounding the burial of the most famous pharoah, on the anniversary of the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb ..... Page 14

#### Commonsense victory

At the last minute, the world's most powerful industrial countries have backed away from economic catastrophe. The deal announced in Brussels yesterday to end the bitter dispute between America and the European Community over agricultural trade brooks of no opposition by France - whose farm minister denounced it last night or any other government . Page 15

#### Dr Leonard's call

As an act of principle, Dr Graham Leonard's personal defiance of the General Synod's decision to ordain women should command respect. But, at this delicate time when most Anglicans are struggling to reconcile the imperatives of conscience with a sincere desire for unity, Dr Leonard's clarion call for a mass defection to Rome is an ill-advised coup de théâtre..... \_Page 15

Simon Rattle with a portrait of Carl Nielsen showing how his symphonies relate to the great Danish composer's life...... Weekend, page 18

Pop nostalgie: They don't write them like that any more. Tony Parsons mourns the passing of the great pop song and wonders what nineties nostalgia merchants will find..

Fundamental laws: No smoking no drinking, no immodesty at Bob Jones University in South Carolina but dating is allowed as long as there's a chaperone. Kate Muir visits America's most doctrinain college...

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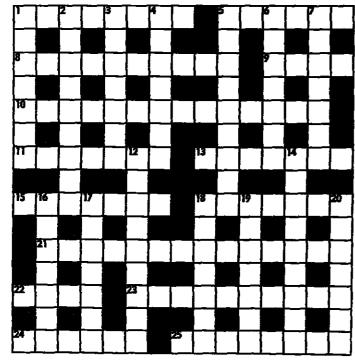
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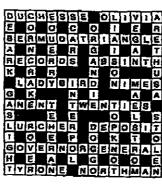


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- 10 Wood was once thought to be a material with very little resistance (14). 11 Measure taken by governor to-
- ether with new king (7). 13 Upset, purist daughter cracked
- 15 Worried, as food's beginning to get spoiled by rot (7).
- 18 Parcel I sent out in duplicate (7).
- 21 Decide to come to terms with a person's thinking (4,2,4,4).
- Service return takes love game 23 Infliction of punishment (10).
- 24 The goddess in the mountain stirred (6).
- 25 Reused an unconventional sub-DOWN

l Outrageous suggestion, exposed originally in salesmen's lies (7).

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2 Display work of art – outstanding example (4-5).

3 Discover a foreign land (7).

London (3.4).

rebellion (7).

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4 Reduced rake-off away from

5 Calumnies disseminated about

6 He hesitates to obtrude, perhaps

7 Iron hand required in prison in

12 Topping technique (9).14 State sailing centre with connections to public services (9).

17 Escort put into a new suit (4.3).

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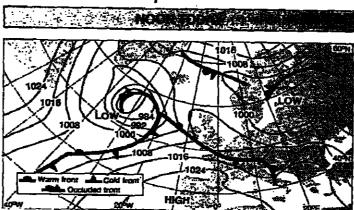
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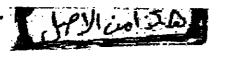
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Jim Courier, loser heading for a last-four place



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#### WEEKEND MONEY

LITTLE COVER



More than 62 per cent of the population are underinsured, by an this week says

**TEMPTATION** 

Remortgaging is tempting for borrowers locked into double could outweigh benefits
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KEY MEMBERS



Pension fund members are not "poor old Aunt Nellies" — they are companies bread

NO RELIEF



fellow trustees at Comic are legally liable if the charity goes into debt Page 26

#### THE POUND

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FT 30 share 2035.9 (+18.1) FT-SE 100 2732.4 (+26.2) New York Dow Jones 3223.31 (+13.78)\* Tokyo Nikkei Avge 17033.60 (+162.29)

#### INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base. 7%
3-month (nterbenk: 7%-7%)
3-month eligible bills: 6%-6%%
US: Prime Pate: 6%
9-ederal Funds. 2%%
3-month Treasury Bills: 3.18-3.17%
30-year bonds: 101%-101%

#### CURRENCIES

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Brent (Dec) ..... \$19,40/bbl (\$19,40) RETAIL PRICES

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# **National Home** Loans dives to £146m loss

NATIONAL Home Loans has plunged to a record loss of £146 million and admitted that it has to keep its mortgage rates high for its 57,000 borrowers to pay the costs of funding and restore repfitshills. profitability.

The loss in the year to end-

September was caused by bad debt provisions of £139 million and compares with a loss of £48 million last time. The losses have slashed NHL's net assets to just £11 million, implying that its shares and preference shares are virtually worthless. Jonathan Perry, the chairman, said that the group might fall into negative worth

early next year.

NHL's montgage rate is currently 12.15 per cent, making it one of the most expensive mortgage lenders in Britain. It is planning to cut rates to 10.8 per cent at the start of next month, but even that will at least 2.25 per cent higher than most building

Mr Perry said NHL was forced to charge high rates because the cost of its bank

NAZMU Virani, the former

chairman of Control Securi-

ties, the property group, was yesterday charged with 14

and false accounting relating

to the collapse last year of the

Bank of Credit and Com-

The charges, brought by the City of London Police and the

Serious Fraud Office, relate to

sterling and US dollar trans-

actions worth almost £30

A specimen charge was

brought in March against Mr

Virani and Mohammad

Haque, a former BCCI execu-

tive, after raids on Control Securities' beadquarters and

A warrant was issued yester-

day for the arrest of Mr

Haque. He is believed, howev-

er, to be in Pakistan, with

which Britain has no extradi-

tion arrangements. After a

Mr Virani's home.

merce International.

million.

onspiracy, theft

Virani faces 14

**BCCI** charges

NHL, the mortgage lender set up in the boom times of the 1980s, has plunged deep into the red. Its 12.5 per cent mortgage rate is one of the most expensive in Britain

borrowing had risen by 1.7 percentage points in the past two years, since banks now viewed the company as high risk. He said the company had widened its lending margins in an attempt to generate more income, although it had passed on "a substantial portion" of the reduction in base

rates to its borrowers.

He added: "Margins are wider, but they take account of our increased funding costs and we have to restore the base

of this company."
He said that NHL wanted to make itself more competitive again, to prevent losing too many borrowers, and that it had taken "quite a big chunk" off its rates. Next month's cut does not take into account the most recent fall in base rates, and Mr Perry said the company might agree to reduce mortgage charges again early next year. During

year-long SFO investigation.

Mr Virani was charged with

conspiring with Mr Haque to

defraud BCC1 depositors. It is

alleged that he caused and

permitted bogus loans and

charges to be shown in BCCI

accounts using Virani com-

panies and provided false documents to Price Water-

house to hide the relationship

He was also charged with

one count of theft of £674,998.94 in September

1987 from Zelva Anstalt, a

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with BCCI.

the year, NHL has made strenuous efforts to contact the estimated 12,000 customers mortgages. A team of 120 telephone operators make 80,000 calls a month to remind them that payments are due. This has increased the proportion of cash the group collects from homeowners in arrears from 61 per cent last year to 76 per cent in

NHL had to provide £48 million for uncollected interest on mortgages during the year and another £27 million on the fall in the value of houses that have been repossessed. Most of the remaining provisions were made in National Mortgage Bank, the business and consumer lending subsidiary, which is being wound

Mr Perry said the recent three point cut in interest rates had taken pressure of the company and he was confident it would survive. Earlier this year NHL's banks agreed a £540 million loan until 1995, and the group is finalising an deal with holders of its mark bonds that will extend them until 1995 at a

higher interest rate. Things look black, but I am much more cheerful than I was in February. The banks have supported us after a most extensive review, and everyone who sees the company goes away impressed. If the housing market perks up we will be

smiling," he said. Mr Perry, a former mer-chant banker, has reduced annual costs to £16 million. The number of staff has fallen from by more than 100 to 421. He has also encouraged the group to offer its services as a consultant and yesterday it was hired to advise a City firm on mortgage securitisation.

The other 12 charges are joint charges with Mr Haque When NHL's troubles and relate to false accounting. began late in 1991 it abandoned any attempt at new The original charge against Mr Virani, alleging conspiralending, and during the year cy with Mr Haque and others the group saw its customer to falsify accounts to the value base shrink by more than 10,000 as some borrowers of \$4 million, will be withredeemed their mortgages drawn when Mr Virani appand the group sold many of its ears before City of London



#### Lloyd's pursues peace offensive

BY JONATHAN PRYNN

PETER Middleton, the newly installed chief executive of Lloyd's, has won more breathing space for his peace overtures to loss-making names by ing debts to the market.

He had already achieved a six-month moratorium on issuing writs against 3,000 names with debts due this autumn. Now he has extended the delay to an additional 196 names with writs already outstanding.

Mr Middleton said yesterday that the suspension of writs would aid the process of "lowering the temperature" between Lloyd's and angry names. He hoped discussions about an arbitrated settlement of disputed losses could begin in the new year. Lloyd's wanted to avoid three or four years

of litigation. However, he gave warning that the concessions did not mean Lloyd's had become a soft touch. "There are a few people who want to destroy Lloyd's and we will fight them all the way," he said.

Mr Middleton also an-

nounced that in future, foreseeable tax rebates to names could be included as assets for meeting Lloyd's solvency requirements. That would allow at least 1,000 names to carry on underwriting, who could not otherwise have done so.

There was an enthusiastic response from names' representatives. Val Powell, chief executive of the Association of Lloyd's Members, said: "Peter Middleton is to be commended on these moves." Christopher Stockwell, of the Lloyd's Names Association, said: "It would be a churlish person who said that what has been offered is not enough." Tom Benyon, of the Society of Names, said Mr Middleton "deserves congratulations for changing the mood at

Of the five diamonds "found", only three

were natural stones. The other two stones

had fallen off the industrial diamond

drill bit! Their shares, which had earlier

Lee Barker, vice-president of Southern-

risen like rockets, came down like sticks.

Era, clearly begged investors' indulgence

when he explained that "the diamonds in

the drill bit turned pale yellow from a

darker greenish-yellow during drilling.

"It has been a kind of honest mistake."

Robert Weinberg, mining analyst at

Société Générale Strauss Turnbull, neat-

ly summed up London's bemused reac-

tion: "One only needs to add a little sex to

throwing the researchers off".

Mr Barker proferred.

#### US company to offer 350 jobs in £10m components factory

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

AN American-owned engineering company is to recruit 350 people to operate a £10 million components plant in Ilkeston, Derbyshire.

Chromalloy UK said a further 300 jobs could be created at an existing plant at Somercotes, also in Derbyshire, if its parent company. part of the Sequa Corporation. could be persuaded to reject rival locations in continental Europe. Graham Purdy. Chromalloy's human re-sources manager, said: "If we don't invest now, then when the recession does come to an end - and please God it does - we are not going to be in a

position to go forward." The

decision was not influenced by increases in capital allowances announced by Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, in his budget. But tax relief would be welcome, he said.

The new plant, in a 188,000 sq ft factory, will make parts for gas turbines. Production will rise over the next 12 months as machinery is installed. Much of the output will be exported to customers ranging from turbine makers, such as General to individual airlines.

Chromalloy undertakes the overhaul, repair and coating of components in UK plants at Eastwood, Nottinghamshire, and Somercotes. Together they employ 475 people. Mr Purdy said Chromalloy

was seeking grant aid for the industry department. The company would also like to extend its Somercotes plant to introduce an advanced-technology coating process, creatine 300 jobs ☐ Nearly 250 new jobs were

announced yesterday at Sellafield. Shepley Engineering, of Workington, Cumbria. construction workers to complete a contract for a gas-fired power station. British Nuclear Fuels will offer 120 apprenticeships to young people.

#### ERM reshuffle on the cards

magistrates on December 1.

By Colin Narbrough, Economics Correspondent sponsible for calling meetings

European exchange-rate mechanism could take place this weekend, after tension triggered by Sweden's de-cision on Thursday to float the krona, currency analysts said. Michel Sapin, the French foreign minister, and Jean-Claude Trichet, chairman of the monetary committee. which co-ordinates policy moves, yesterday met Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, fuel-ling speculation that an ERM

By COLIN CAMPBELL

MINING CORRESPONDENT

ALL that glisters is not gold, nor is every

chip a diamond, as speculators in

Canadian mining shares have found to

their cost, after what has been called "a

mistake that has to go down in the

business hall of fame as the most

Last week, three junior Canadian

exploration companies — SouthernEra

Resources, Aber Resources and Com-

monwealth Gold Corporation — jointly

announced in Toronto that exploration

drilling in the remote Lac de Gras region

of the Northwest Territories had revealed

embarrassing ever made".

five micro diamonds".

A REALIGNMENT of the of the monetary committee. The expected realignment is likely to involve devaluation of the weaker members of the ERM grid - the peseta, the escudo and the punt - although the Irish election could make a punt realigment politically difficult. The Danish krone, also under pressure, is not expected to be included in the changes, nor would the French franc. The Norwegian krone, pegged to the ecu, is move was imminent. As Britalso under pressuré. ain holds the Community presidency, Mr Lamont is re-

Week ending, page 21 Twinkle, twinkle . . . nothing there

yellow, and one deep yellow. A clear, deep yellow octahedral microdiamond crystal was also found." Fo enlighten the

uneducated, the release said a number of

"kimberlitic pyrope garnet, chromite,

chrome diopside, eclogitic garnet and

ilmenite grains (sic)" had been recovered.

The Canadian mining scene, already twinkling with unbridled enthusiasm

that Canada might turn into a serious

diamond producer, was ecstatic. After all, the world's seasoned mining giants.

including Britain's RTZ, Australia's

BHP, and the grand-diamond-daddy of

them all. De Beers, are also hunting in

Canada. So the general thought was that

if the "jumors" can find gleaming stones,



Sapin: fuelled speculation

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# Government raises £1.3bn in debt sale

BY NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

THE government announced yesterday that its auction of debt in privatised companies was almost five times oversubscribed, as City institutions and the companies involved rushed to pay high prices for the bonds.

Barings, the merchant bank handling the auction, said the sale had raised £1.34 billion cash to help fund the government's spending programme, against a target £1.25 billion.

Barings was forced to in-crease the amount sold because it was committed to selling complete tranches of debt. The successful bidders were chosen by the amount of premium they were prepared to pay for the debt.

The success of the auction still leaves the government with more than £2.5 billion in unsold debt. This is expected to be offered in future sales. when the debt in the electricity companies can be offered to

third parties. Four issues of BT debt were sold with BT buying two worth £320 million. It was unsuccessful in its bids for at least two other issues, since it had agreed to bid for bonds worth

a minimum £750 million. UBS Phillips & Drew, the securities house, became the largest single buyer, with a £220 million Eurobond issue. Goldman Sachs, the American firm, bought a £180 milpected to sell their debt to international investment institutions, which will be attracted by the yield and security of the

PowerGen, Scottish Hydro-Electric and Scottish Power were the other successful bidders, buying debt with a face value of £408 million. Four other electricity companies made unsuccessful offers, while five refused to bid at all.

PowerGen said yesterday it had paid a premium of £19 million over the £150 million face value of its issue, but that its successful bid would still save it £4 million a year in reduced interest costs.

In all, Barings received 30 bids for the debt worth a total £5.78 billion. These comprised 11 bids from six securities firms for BT Eurobonds and 19 bids by the companies for their own debt.

The debt was sold at an

average premium of 18 per cent over face value since it carries interest rates from 11.4 to 12.25 per cent. Cliff Haddy. assistant director at Barings. said the successful bidders paid an average 17 basis points above the reserve prices, which is high in relation to similar debt auctions.

"We designed the auction to ensure that there was a level playing field and the results speak for themselves. There was no dominant group in the auction," said Mr Haddy.

# BT poised for ringing response

investors to get their chequebooks ready before the next - and, possibly, last - of HMG's public offering of all (or part) of its 22 per cent residual stake in BT could well lead to early queues forming outside banks and building societies.

If base rates continue to fall, as the government seems determined they will, and if the rate of dividends BT pays continues to advance, as the 7.9 per cent increase in BT's interim suggests it should, demand for BT3 should be

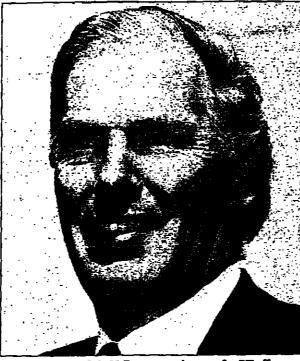
Strong. lavestors who subscribed for the first public offering of BT shares in November 1984, at 130p now see BT shares at

395½ p. The second offering to the public in December 1991. was at 335p a share, of which the third and final instalment of 105p a share is due in March.

· Publication earlier this month of the interim results of BT, chaired by lain Vallance, for the six months ended September showed pre-tax profits down from £1.61 billion to £1.03 billion. and net earnings back from 17.4p to 10.1p a share. The interim dividend, however, rose from 5.7p to 6.15p a share.

After a weak first quarter, there was evidence of an underlying improvement in BT's second quarter.

There were suggestions that the improved trend continued in October, although this has not stopped analysts expecting 1993 pre-tax profits



Share alert: Iain Vallance sets the tone for BT offer

to fall, from £3.07 billion pretax in 1992 to £2.65 billion. The total dividend should still rise from 14.4p to, say. 15.6p a share. Pre-tax profits in 1994 could rise to £3.45

BT3 is likely to be launched with a host of incentives to "roll up and buy", and although market conditions and the government's finan-cial needs will dictate just when and at what price the next offer will be made, BT's prospective yield of 5.7 per cent based on 1994 dividend hopes — by which current

look like a mountain - already suggests a warm

**National** Express

THIS weekend is a busy one for National Express, the bus group, and its advisers. They have to decide what price to put on the shares when they are placed around the City and offered to the public on

Private investors should bear in mind that the flotation is largely for the company's benefit. At the moment. its balance sheet has a negative net worth of almost £11 million, a black hole that needs to be filled in.

About £9 million of the money raised will be used to redeem existing preference share capital.

The group's trading record is chequered, but its prospects seem reasonable. At the trading profit level, it made £5 million in 1989, lost almost £1 million in 1990 and made £5 million in 1991. That year, however, saw a

£5.5 million exceptional charge as the new management team sorted out previous diversifications and charged up £1.8 million of costs associated with a buy-in.

The draft prospectus heralds £6.5 million before tax for the year to January 2. Future opportunities lie in coach services to Eastern Europe, airport services, and taking advantage of the British Rail privatisation which could reduce competition.

Any economic upturn would also play into National Express's hands.

Its advisers seem minded to price the company in line with the transport sector. But there is nothing quite like National Express to compare with. The cheaper it is compared to the average transport sector multiple of just over 13 the better.

In any event, National Express is playing safe. All the shares are to be placed with institutions, and 25 per cent will be clawed back if there is public demand. There are no shareholder incentives.

Gardiner

launches

enquiry BY ANGELA MACKAY

SHARES in Gardiner Groun.

a distributor of security and surveillance products, almost halved to 8.5p yesterday after the company revealed a £3.5 million hole in its assets, caus-

ed by what directors consider was "a deliberate falsification

reason to believe such an inci-

dent could recur" and a full

nvestigation would be under taken by independent accoun-

tants. Ernst & Young is

In an unrelated move, three

directors bought more than

1.2 million shares on Novem-

ber 2 at an average I 1.5p each. Yashar Turgut, chief executive, bought 865,000 shares and

now owns 1.18 million shares, while Jeff Caplan and Robin Grant bought 345,000 and 100.000 respectively. Their in-

vestment had seemed profit-

Gartmore Investment Management, one of the company's biggest shareholders with

per cent, is "extremely

displeased and disappointed by the events". A spokesman said: "We have stuck by the company over the years and have been let down. We would

have thought better manage-

The suspected fraud was uncovered in the stocktake for the

year to end-October 1992 when a mis-statement was

found in the value of stocks and accruals of about \$4.8 million. After accounting for

recovery of related taxation,

the restated value of the assets at end-1991 is £16.2 million

E3.5 million less.

ment controls existed."

able before yesterday.

Gardiner's auditor.

of the company's records". Directors said they had "no

# £852,000 payoff TONY Millar, who helped to build Albert Fisher, the food group, into an international company, received compensa-

Ex-chairman receives

tion of £852,000 after he was forced to step down as executive chairman in July. Mr Millar resigned after pressure from the board following City criticism of his ability to manage the group's progress. Albert Fisher's annual report shows that he received a salary of £252,000 in the year to August 31 slightly less than the £260,000 he received the year before.

Through a series of acquisitions, Mr Millar transformed a small fruit and vegetable supplier into a company with a market capitalisation of almost £800 million in March 1991 when the share price was 133p. However, a profits warning in June this year saw the company's shares phummer to just 36½ p. The group's profits before tax for the year to August 31 fell to £52. I million from £89 million in the previous 12 months. Mr Millar was succeeded by Stephen Walls, formerly at the Arjo Wiggins paper group. Despite the reduction in profits, Mr Walls maintained the annual dividend at 3.75 to help restore the confidence of Civil dividend at 3.75p to help restore the confidence of City

#### New port for Nissan

NISSAN has announced plans for big savings in transport costs by switching the port it uses for exporting and importing in Britain. From December next year, Nissan's operations will be moved to Jarrow on the River Tyne, less than ten miles from the firm's Sunderland car plant, from Teesport, Cleveland, more than 40 miles away. The new custom-built terminal — on a 27-acre site — will result in the creation of ten jobs. The 37 people it employs at Teesport will be offered jobs there. The government-run Type and Wear Development Corporation is to release £600,000 towards a new road for the

#### Bulgin dips at half time

AF BULGIN & Company, which makes and distributes electrical and electronics components, reports a decrease in pretax profits to £32,000 in the six months to end-July, against £57,000 last time, on a static turnover of £6.58 million. Profits were depressed by a £114,000 exceptional charge, relating to redundancies and reorganisation, after a £93,000 charge in the same period last year. The company said new products were being brought on line earlier, although demand had been erratic in the second half. Earnings dip to 0.11p (0.16p) a share. The company is again paying no interim dividend.

#### Caird issues warning

SHARES in Caird, the environmental services group, fell from 33p to 19p after the company gave warning that second-half profits would fall short of the £1.35 million earned pre-tax in the first six months. It blamed a poor third quarter, caused by depressed demand and squeezed margins, compounded by delays in bringing on stream new facilities. Caird said revenue growth was constrained by planning authorities that appeared not to have a clear understanding of rules and procedures. There is unlikely to be a final dividend. Last year, shareholders received a final payment of

#### **Dobson Park buys**

DOBSON Park Industries, the engineering group, has bought Harland Crossfield, a subsidiary of Harland Simon, the collapsed control systems company, from receivers. The initial consideration is £2.3 million. The acquisition of systems for the printing industry, safeguards about 80 jobs. Further profit-related payments of up to £600,000 are payable over two years. Harland Crossfield's net assets had an unaudited value of £5.4 million on September 30, and the company earned profits of £400,000 before interest in the year to March 31, on turnover of £10.8 million.

#### London cuts losses

LONDON & Metropolitan, the troubled property company rescued after a refinancing last year, reported reduced pre-tax losses of £4.44 million in the half year to end-June, against a £15 million loss last time. The company made an operating profit of £2.35 million, against a loss of £10.5 million previously, but remained in the red as overall interest costs rose to £6.79 million (£4.43 million). The loss per share is reduced to 6.8p, against a loss of 26p a share last time. There is again no interim dividend and the group does not intend paying one "for the foreseeable future". The shares were

#### McInerney trims deficit

MCINERNEY Properties, the Irish property company that recently completed a financial restructuring programme reports a reduced pre-tax loss of Ir£1.2 million (£1.3 million) in the six months to end-June (1:2.45 million loss). Turnover climbed 6.7 per cent to £15 million. Sales in the group's housing developments in Waterford, Cork and Limerick remained steady. The company said that housing operations had performed satisfactorily. There was an exceptional charge of Ir£300,000 and an extraordinary loss of Ir£650,000. The loss per share is 2.13p (3.93p). There is no interim dividend.

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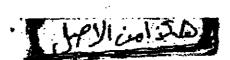
interest switched to the debt market, where the government sold off its remaining debt in a clutch of privatised companies.

The Treasury is reckoned to have raised £1.3

billion selling debt in four companies — BT. PowerGen, Scottish Power and Scottish Hydro-Electric. Most of the debt was acquired by

snapped up by outside agencies. As a result, gilt prices fluctuated within narrow limits. On the futures market, the Long Gilt future closed three ticks lower at £9931/32 in low volum only 22,000 contracts were completed. In the cash market, Exchequer 10 per cent 1996 ended down two ticks at £10921/32, at the

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#### **BUSINESS PROFILE: Lord Stevens of Ludgate**

# Soft-hearted introvert behind a prickly facade

There are two distinct sides to the legendary head of Express

Newspapers, Carol Leonard finds

very night before he goes to sleep, Lord Stevens of Ludgate, chairman of Express Newspapers, United Newspapers and Invesco MIM, the fund management group, kneels down beside his bed and says his prayers.

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Once, in an army dormitory, his fellow officers were so taken aback by the sight of Stevens with his head bowed. eyes closed and hands clasped together that they rushed to his aid, thinking he must have fallen ill.

there, directing our destiny he says. "It is not always ob-'I'm told people vious that he is are scared of

believe you can me, but I think communicate I'm like a with him provided you show respect. pussy cat means you

to get down on your knees." The prospect of Stevens, 56, kneeling for anyone, however. would be greeted with derision by most of those who work for him. In stark contrast, they would see him as a small, chippy man — he claims to be 5ft 62 ins tall - who seems to derive a degree of perverse pleasure in bullying under-lings, who is given to outbursts and on occasions being inexplicably rude. He is said to be less than popular, not only among the people he employs, but also among any group of people he might regard as less than his equal. Mention his name to almost anyone who has worked in Fleet Street or fund management and they will probably delight in regaling you with a succession of

anti-Stevens tales. "I suppose my best friends are people who have made it in life." Stevens observes, because I can see what I would like to achieve in them. It also means that you all have the same sense of striving to achieve something." But that admission aside, and despite the number of near-legendary tales that circulate about him, it is nigh impossible to find arryone who has witnessed the incidents that gave birth to

they are not true, but that most of those who voice their dislike of him have never — or only fleetingly - met him.

Stevens smiles shyly when told of his reputation. He has heard it all before and he does not deny it categorically. "I don't think I'm a bully," he says, "but I can understand why some people might do. Maybe I look very fierce, severe and standoffish. You cannot change these things. If people think I'm unapproachable there's not much I can do about it. Respect and fear are "I'm not a great church-goer all quite closely related. But I but I do believe there is a God am amazed by the inaccuracy

of what is written about me. An awful lot of people do not like me but most of these people have Those that do know me. like

me. The City is prayers on the hoof, you have a furmy place, there's a huge amount of envy and jealousy. He admits that he has been known to shout at people. "In 30 years of business life of

course I have shouted at people from time to time. Have I regretted it? Yes, I have. Usually, it is because something has gone wrong and they haven't told me about it. I do get grumpy sometimes, but I don't have a violent temper. I don't think I've ever thrown anything in my life. I'm told that people are scared of me, but I think I'm like a large pussy cat."
Stevens smiles. His nervous

blink begins to subside, the atmosphere begins to warm. He wants to be liked, but it is a want rather than a need. He is an introvert, not a loner. "I'm very self contained." That introversion is the key to understanding Stevens' un-usual personality. It is a key given only to individuals he respects, and even those people who dine with him regularly in his Chelsea home, who play golf with him, who insist that, in their experience, he has never been anything other than charming, humorous and engaging company, admit that they do not fully

Nicholas Cobbold, a stockbroker turned headhunter, can be a bit cynical but you



Lord of all he surveys: Stevens, in his London office examines some of the newspapers under his command

ers." He admits that he does not understand what moti-

vates him. "I set my sights on

something in the early days

and then decided that I want-

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that I wanted to be the first boy to get a distinction in econom-

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Stevens is confident of his

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who has known Stevens for 25 years, says: "I know him better than most and certainly regard him as a friend and I am delighted to have him come and stay in my house, but even I have to admit that he is someone you never get to know terribly well." When Stevens entertains

such friends at home, midweek, he has a penchant for elaborate, formal dinner parties, for 12 or 14 people at one time. He is always immaculately dressed by Savile Row tailors and is known to be a stickler for correctness. His shoes will be polished and he will expect you to arrive on time. Everything about him is neat and organised. He continually draws up lists of things that need to be done. "If a lightbulb is missing in the front hall or a plant has died, I will want to know why." That correctness, coupled with his innate reserve. can contrive to present a prickly facade. Even his sense of humour can, at times, be abrasive, sarcastic, and it is often so dry that it is misunderstood. "I suppose my humour

have to laugh at life and yourself, otherwise it all becomes too serious." In an attempt to understand

his unusual perspective on life, some people suggest that it is symptomatic of his height. The small-man syndrome— aggressive, defensive. Stevens would disagree. If he were given a magic wand, would he make himself six inches taller? "No. I would not. I wouldn't alter anything about my body at all." Defensive, certainly, but good humoured too. Stevens, the second of three

sons, born into a semi-detached house in Edgware, Middlesex, and brought up in Stanmore, Northwood and then Esher, responds well to gentle teasing. He prefers people who stand up to him, rides roughshod over only those who he knows will not. enjoys argument and debate, and is more relaxed in the company of women than men. As a child he was, he says,

"introverted. I probably still am. At weekends, from Friday afternoon onwards, I do not go out. At school [Stowe] I was much more serious and more hard working than the oth-

the country every weekend. I like living in London" - and he never name-drops.

"I am very like my father. He was always very active. always wanting to improve the world, wanting to be involved.

I never relax." Stevens paces up and down inside his large office overlooking Blackfriars Bridge, his hands in his trouser pockets. His father, Edwin, 87, the son of a railway guard, won a scholarship to Oxford. became a sound engineer and built up a business manufacturing the first truly portable hearing aids as well as audiometers and ear defenders. He sold out to Racal for £3 million in 1970. His mother, Kathleen - "I don't know her age" is described as "quite tough.

regimented, very disciplined". When asked again about his motivation, bearing in mind his childhood, Stevens suggests that "per-

'You have to because I was son". Did he laugh at life, lack attention? Could that reg-imented, disciotherwise it plined envirbecomes onment explain why he still too serious' finds it so diffi-

cult to show his emotions? "Probably." he says. but I don't think it's bad to show emotion. I think you should be yourself and people should take you as you are. I make allowances for other people and they should make

allowances for me.' Stevens is famed for having had three wives but he is not a promiscuous man. His first wife. Patricia, the mother of his two children, Judith. 28. and Andrew, 26, a trained banker with Goldman Sachs, left him for another man after ten years of marriage. He remained single for seven years and raised the children on his own. It has made him particularly close to them and his whole manner alters when they are discussed.

"Andrew is much more extrovert that I was at his age."

My daughter can be extrovert but is also very happy on her own. She is more of an isolationist." His second wife, Melisa, half Hungarian, died three years ago, after choking on a peach, and he married his third wife, Meriza, a Russian, in January 1990. Stevens recalls in vivid detail how he heard his second wife cheking, how he tried to resuscitate nor, how the ambulance took 25 minutes to arrive and then, how he cried. They had a particularly happy marriage. She, dearly, understood his needs. People who observed them together say she paid him compliments constantly, in public, building ignoring him as he beseeched her to desist. The need she pandered to, a need exposed only in the privacy of his own home, when that inner guard

moved, is a would not nordomineering. antagonistic man. Instead it indicates that beneath it all

Stevens is driven by a deep seated insecurity, afflicted by a shyness and in need of genu-

ine affection. For all his self-sufficiency, he does not like living alone, and despite all the myths about his objectionable behaviour, he is deeply emotional. The extraordinary public facade he has created - and his contributory behaviour - could be nothing more than a protective crust. carefully contrived to make him appear tougher than he really is, to disguise a personality that in his eyes, and against a background of that regimented, disciplined childhood, is emotional to a fault "If I watch a weepy movie I would try to stop myself crying," Stevens admits. "Yes, I would have a lump in my throat, but if you looked in my eyes, you would see the tears.

WEEK INDING Colin Narbrough

attack the public-sector deficit

at a time of record unemploy-

ment, the markets still

harboured doubts about Swe-

den's fixed exchange-rate poli-

cy. Renewed nervousness

about government borrowing

unleashed the unstoppable attack on the krona this week.

here two months ago, the political runes were right for

defending the krona, that was

not the case this week. The

main opposition party, the

Social Democrats, had lost the taste for the fight. After

some 160 billion krona had

left the country within a week,

the central bank on Thursday

morning shook its interest

rate stick at the market,

#### Twilight of the gods dims runes for Sweden's luckless currency

The choice of Tender is the North" as banner for the Scandinavian arts festival that has overwhelmed London has proved something of a puzzle.

As every British schoolchild ought to know, the Norsemen. the Vikings, were fearsome maranders who pillaged and olundered our coasts. Nor is life in the cold high latitudes likely to make people soft. Surely, the North must mean hard as nails. This week's star attraction

on the foreign exchange stage

— The Succumbing of the Swedish Krona to Market Forces - suggests that "Vulnerable is the North" would be an apt title for the saga still unfolding. It was the collapse of the Finnish markka that triggered the last bout of turbulence.

Once upon a time, until Thursday, Carl Bildt, Sweden's fair and youthful prime minister, looked as though he had succeeded in his defiance of the market dragon in defence of the krona. He was having to battle with economic adjustment, but his longship was upright and appeared steady on course for the heart of Europe. Sweden aims for full Community membership in 1995.

The ice-cold nerve of Anne Wibble, Mr Bildr's finance minister, and Bengt Dennis, his doughty central bank governor, had, remarkably. allowed Sweden to brave the maelstrom that swept the pound and the lira out of the exchange-rate mechanism (ERM) and forced a peseta devaluation. At a time when Britain's

economic policy was left in tatters, the Swedes seemed in control, albeit at considerable cost for an economy in its worst recession since the

Pegging the krona to the Swedish political classes as a only a full. For all the efforts to to 20 per cent from 11.5 per



central plank of a strategic assault on the Community. Mr Bildt, a fervent Europhile. had set his heart on ensuring that the krona was not only a strong currency, but would be a member of the hard core around the German mark. Such vaulting ambition and

near-consensus in the Riksdagen, earlier in the Autumn, enabled Sweden to take draconian steps. Raising marginal interest rates to 500 per cent made the most hardened City dealers catch their breath. Accompanying measures that savaged public spending and welfare, while reducing industry's costs dra-matically, caused many a

Swede to gasp too. But the calm that followed ecu had been regarded by the the storms of September was hiking the key marginal rate

had been pegged to the ecu in

In a virtual replay of Norman Lamont's to-ing and froing on Black Wednesday, the interest rate decision was reversed by the afternoon, and the krona allowed to float freely. It dropped 8 per cent, but there is scope for a further

Mr Bildt and Mrs Wibble admitted, with apparent sorrow, that the national attempt to maintain the krona's externai value had failed. But they underlined that the government had done everything it could to stick to the hard krona policy. Mr Bildt, like our own prime minister, gave firm assurances that keeping inflation down remained the central goal, along with growth and employment.

Ever the realist, Mr Dennis has made clear that the decision to float the krona was ultimately a simple affair. The possibility of succeeding was too little, so we gave up. But he would insist that there had been no devaluation, merely a flotation. Semantics might comfort a central banker, but they leave the currency markets unimpressed.

What will now happen to the array of measures, still to go before the Riksdagen, to cut sick pay, unemployment benefits, injury benefits, re-duce tax deductions and raise individuals' pension contributions? Will the Social Democrais be ready to play along with Mr Bildt's centre-right coalition any longer on further cuts in payroll taxes?

Opinion in Sweden is divided. Yet, the saga has a happy ending. From faraway Frank-furt, Helmut Schlesinger, the Bundesbank president and Europe's monetary grand vizier, gave the Swedish move his qualified blessing. "Floating a currency for a short time

ability but aware of his short-

comings. He is aware that his

peerage is linked to his pur-

chase of the Express Group, that it almost went with the

job, but it makes him no less

proud. He is aware that he has

a bad telephone manner. "I

am not a great telephonist, ! do not sit chatting on the

telephone all the time and in

business I do not believe in

long telephone conversations.

If something is going to take

more than five minutes to

discuss I will call a meeting."

He drives a Rolls-Royce but is

otherwise relatively unostenta-

tious. He runs only one house

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STOCK MARKET

# Gatt news gives boost to shares

SHARE prices surged to within less than six points of their record high after an announcement during the afternoon that the European Community and America had reached a compromise in the dispute over agricultural subsidies.

The FT-SE 100 index. which had been marking time most of the day, put on a late spurt on the announcement that a deal had been concluded. It closed near its high for the day, 26.2 up at 2,732.4. just 5.4 short of its all-time high of 2.737.8 achieved on

It had looked increasingly

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likely that failure to reach agreement would result in a damaging trade war, possibly throwing the European economy into deeper recession. But last night, both brokers and fund managers were celebrating that a rift had been avoided, after weeks of diplomane meetings.

Despite the sudden burst of euphoria, dealers continue to describe trading conditions as thin and this was borne out by turnover levels that saw only 545 million shares traded.

Dealers say fund managers remain on the sidelines. unable to make up their minds about the market's next move.

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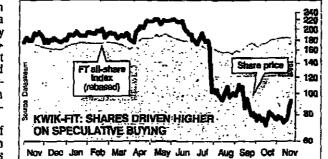
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Rolls-Royce, the aeroengine was the turn of Hoare Govett maker, remains out of favour with the City, falling a further 4½p to 96½p as analysts continue downgrading their profit forecasts. This time, it

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and BZW, which are believed to have fallen in line with similar downgradings in recent weeks. The problems at GPA, the world's biggest aircraft leasing company, and possible cuts in defence spending have all been overshadowing the shares.

ICI recovered some of Thursday's losses stemming from the bearish views of Smith New Court's about the proposed demerger and disappointing trading news from several German chemical companies. The price ended I In hetter at £10.24.

Kwik-Fit. the tyre and ex-haust specialist, touched a high for the day of 112p on a sudden burst of speculative buying before settling 7p better at 95p. It takes the rise of the past two days to 17p.

The company says it knows of no reason for the sudden surge and estimates that the number of cars serviced remains at last year's levels. The company continues to experience pressure on both prices and margins.

But the market is buzzing

#### THE SUNDAY TIMES

The owner of a clothes shop in Weybridge has had the same margin above base -- 3% -- for the past 20 years. His bank is now insisting that this is increased to 4% above base, "I'm a customer of longstanding." he said, "And having survived

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with talk of a possible bid for the company with Continen-tal, the big German car parts group, tipped as the most likely bidder. The group has been hit by the recession and is expected to experience a sharp drop in pre-tax profits during the current year.

Aitken Hume, the financial services group, responded to the recent speculative flurry in its share price to reveal it had received an approach that might lead to a bid. The shares finished 15p better at 49p. Shares of Gardiner, the security alarms group, fell 7p to 82p after it announced it had lost £3.5 million because of alleged falsification of accounts found during year-end

stocktaking.

Caird, the waste disposal group, was down 16p at 17p after issuing a profits warning. The group said that, because of deteriorating trading conditions, profits would be appreciably lower than those of the first six months. The an-

Transfer Technology, the pre-cision engineer. 1p firmer at 185p, has had its pre-tax profit forecast downgraded by Credit Lyonnais Laing from £14.4 million to £13 million.

nouncement sent a shudder through the other waste disposal companies, with Leigh Interests down 11p at 175p, and Shanks & McEwan 10p off at 181p. Thorn EMI enjoyed a

much needed rally, rising 17p to 780p before half-year figures on Tuesday. County NatWest, the stockbroker, said the recent sharp fall in the price had been overdone. It said pre-tax profits should be in line with those announced last year, but gave a warning that the acquisition of Virgin would result in a 20 per cent dilution of earnings. That shortfall is expected to be made-up in the second half, as the benefits of the merger start to filter through. Euro Disney remained a

dull market, losing 32p at 813p, for a two-day fall of 87p. as details of last year's losses continue to be absorbed. Union Discount, a takeover target, fell op to 90p.

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New York - Shares were slightly higher in early trading on heavy volume, traders said. They added that the expiration of November contracts for individual equity options and ocratic reforms and plans for the Major Market Index futures could have been linked to the new airport, analysis said. a slow open in several Dow

The Dow Jones industrial average was up 8.10 points at

#### Nikkei closes on higher note

Tokyo — Shares are expected

to remain firm next week, although a lack of solid reasons to buy will limit how far prices can rise, brokers said. With sentiment buoyed by steady buying from public pension and insurance funds and by the news that parliament will begin debating the government's supplementary budget, the Nikkei index gained 4.3 per cent to close at 17,033.60. Last Friday's close

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Broken Hill	478p (+12p)
Glaxo	825p (+12p)
Inchcape	500p (+13p)
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Courtaulds	509p (+11p)
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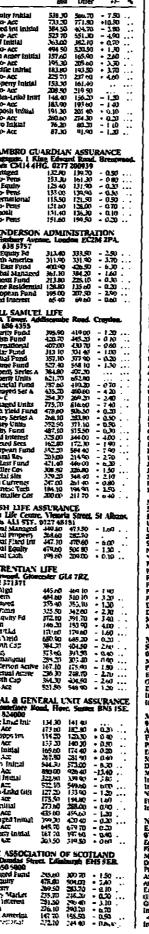
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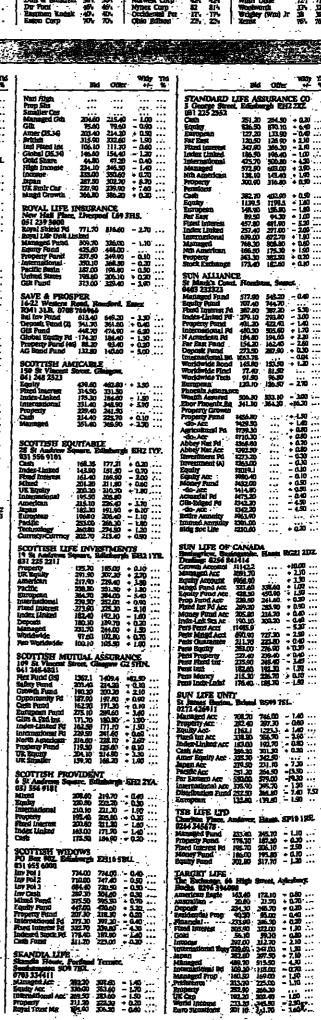


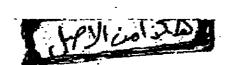
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# WEEKEND MONEY

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Tax claimants need better deal

f you make the system for claiming back overpaid tax complicated enough, then few will use it, and the exchequer ends up with a windfall. The government probably did not plan to gain hundreds of millions of pounds when it reformed the taxation of savings, but it has.

Last year, composite rate tax was scrapped and replaced with basic rate tax on savings. This meant that taxpayers paid more automatically and non-taxpayers had either to declare themselves as such for every account they hold or claim back any overpaid tax later on.

most concerned to make the system fraud-proof, many savers were too frightened of having dealings with any tax office and millions have not

registered to receive interest gross. Those less fearful have been angry about the way the new system works to exclude them from gross payment on savings that are below the tax threshold because they have other income which is above it. Only those whose income is totally under their

tax allowances can register their accounts. Others have to claim back overpaid tax and it can take more

than a year to get the money.

Pensioners in particular have been affected by the intransigence of the system for taxing the declining interest on their savings. Many have some income which is below the limit and some above. Those whose total income takes them just above the tax threshold have to have tax While the Revenue may have been deducted on their savings interest and then reclaim. Those who have hundreds of pounds to reclaim are annoyed by the delays. It is not a system for the careless either, as the Revenue needs statements of tax deducted on all accounts before the money can be reclaimed.

Those who have only a small amount to claim back never seem to get round to it. But it is not



#### COMMENT

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interest was earned and then claim it back. Tax on an interest payment in June cannot be claimed back until the following April if the tax to be reclaimed is under £50.

Those well below the tax threshold can comfortably sign a declaration that they are non-taxpayers and their bank or building society is then able to pay them gross. Parents have a more confusing time because they have to be sure that no more than £100 of the interest earned by a child comes from each parent. Many of surprising as they have to wait until those whose income fluctuates, or is the end of the tax year when the near the limit, are frightened to

declare in case their income rises and they are thought to have deliberately tried to defraud the Revenue.

There is little chance of that now that every interest payment on bank and building society accounts is reported to the Revenue. If the government really wants poorer savers to pay less tax it needs to make it easier for them to get their money back. This week it has decided to close 19 of the 24 centres created to pay refunds.

Let us hope this action will be to effect forcible entry into domestic accompanied by a new system that premises with a warrant. People

will allow those who are just taxpayers to declare one account a taxfree zone and to make sure it keeps below the limit and sign an agreement that, if it does not, they will pay any underpaid tax with interest. It would help millions of pensioners who are already alarmed about the low return they get on their savings.

#### **Bailiffs**

ailiffs are one of the growth professions during the recession but there is no one authority to control their actions. This week the National Consumer Council expressed its concern about the activities of both private and certificated bailiffs employed to collect poll tax and the council tax.

It says bailiffs should only be able

who never thought they would be reduced to such circumstances are coming into contact with bailiffs and their work methods. It would help if rules were laid down and clearly understood.

One homeowner rang me from work recently to ask if bailiffs could evict him and change the locks when he was not there. The courts had not even granted possession at that time but the letters he had received were enough to frighten him.

Debts can increase once the bailiffs' charges are included and items seized are often sold for knockdown prices. The council would like to see fixed fees for bailiffs. Families should also be told that certain items will not be seized. These should include clothing needed by the debtor and members of the family. children's toys, medical aids and equipment for the care of children. tools for their trade and books needed for their work, education or training up to a value of £500. There are many reputable bailiffs who are bound to welcome any suggestions that will bring the cowboys to order.

Householders in high-risk areas could have claims rejected unless specified door and window locks are fitted

# Insurers tighten security rules for homes cover

By Sara McConnell

From January next year, thoufilling in new proposal forms or changing insurers are also having policies endorsed in sands of Sun Alliance customers with inner city postcodes who renew their contents inthis way. Last year, 20 per cent of new policies with Royal surance will be told that theft claims will not be met unless Insurance were so endorsed. This year, 60 per cent have to comply with the minimum door and window locks specified by the insurer are fitted security requirement. "People and used. This will be the first time Sun Alliance has enwho continue to act in a careless fashion deserve harddorsed existing customers' policies in this way. er and harsher treatment," The largest household in-surer said that by the end of Royal said. Ray Facer, Legal & General's household undernext year, about 5 per cent of writing manager, said that if its existing customers would the risk in a locality changed, premium rates would be inhave their policies endorsed in this way. A further 5 per cent creased but existing policy-

having to take extra security measures to get cover. It could cost several hundred pounds take extra security measures. That would, however, be required of new customers. to get security up to the required minimum. Residents of high-risk areas Other insurers are considering endorsing the policies of existing customers when they renew their cover. New customers in high risk areas have this way for some time. Brokers are advising people to read their renewal notice care-

of new customers are also

fully to see if it has been

New policyholders in high-

risk areas who take out cover

with Norwich Union have had

to meet minimum security requirements since July. The company said this week that

these requirements could be

extended to existing policy

holders whose postcodes indi-

cated to insurers that they

lived in areas with high theft

Areas designated high-risk by Norwich Union include all

Southeast London postcodes,

most of Southwest London

and large areas of Glasgow,

Liverpool and Birmingham.

The company tells new policy-

holders in these areas that

front doors should be fitted

with mortice deadlocks; patio

doors and accessible windows

have to be fitted with key-

People moving house and

operated window locks.

endorsed.

premiums. General Accident announced this week that it was expanding its household in-

up by an average of 30 per cent on its Contents Plus policy and up to 16 per cent on its Contents Home Plus policy. It has introduced a loyalty bonus of 10 per cent for customers who stay with the company for more than three years, citting some people's

have also faced the biggest rises in premiums and this is per cent discounts for fitting burglar alarms have been likely to continue. They have eaten up by increases averaglittle hope of obtaining dising 40 per cent since the end counts for extra security measures. Even those who can get no-claims bonuses offered by some companies will see them eaten away by larger rises in

holders would not be asked to

Other insurers, including Norwich Union and Commercial Union, offer discounts of about 5 per cent to members of Neighbourhood Watch schemes. However, Norwich Union's premiums have gone premiums by 7 per cent. Commercial Union's Key Plan policyholders have found that 5 per cent discounts for membership of Neighbour-hood Watch schemes or 15

Sun Alliance includes bership as one of several security precautions that qualifv for discounts of up to 20 per cent, but premiums have risen by 30 to 35 per cent on some policies. Membership has to be coupled with the fitting of

Prudence pays: Neighbourhood Watch saved Peter Loyd £400 a year on contents cover

#### Keeping a watch on premium costs

PETER Loyd has saved about £400 a year on the contents insurance for his home in Hampstead Garden Suburb since he started participating in a General Accident pilot scheme to cut the cost of hood Watch members (Sara

McConnell writes).
Mr Loyd first heard of the scheme when he received a circular three years ago from an insurance broker. As area co-ordinator for 50 Neighbourhood Watch schemes in Northwest London, he felt he

should investigate. He said: "Frankly the publicity material was not that impressive. It looked like it had been done on a duplica-tor. I was slightly distrustful. But I felt I had to vet it. Otherwise if something had been wrong with it and people took the insurance, I would have had the wrath of every-

one upon me. Satisfied on his members' behalf, he asked the broker. Brownhill Morris and West, of Beckenham, Kent, to give him a quotation for his own insurance under

General Accident's Neigh-bourhood Watch Home Insurance policy.

As with other prospective policyholders. Mr Loyd's home was inspected by a Brownhill house surveyor to check that it satisfied security requirements. To qualify for the cheaper cover, householders have to fit specified door and window locks and have them checked. It is not enough just to be a member of a Neighbourbood Watch

scheme. In March, 1989, when he paid his first premium, the cost was £552.30 compared with the £1,000 premium demanded by Royal, his existing insurer. Since then, he has built up a no-claims bonus of 25 per cent, reducing his present premium by £219 to £657, based on £55,520 of

In December, 1989, Mr Loyd also put his buildings insurance with General Accident. He lost his no-claims bonus because he had a subsidence claim, but this did not affect his contents no-

#### 'People who act carelessly deserve harder and harsher treatment'

surance scheme for Neighbourhood Watch members after a successful five-year pilot scheme in London Policyholders, who have to be in a registered Neighbourhood Watch scheme to qualify, have saved up to 40 per cent, the

company said.
But Mike Amphlett, GA's schemes manager in charge of underwriting the Neighbourhood Watch policy, said the premiums of some policyholders in high-risk areas had doubled in 12 months. The average rise had been 25 per suitable locks and bolts to qualify for a discount, said Steve Turner, Sun Alliance's superintendent, household.

Like Sun Alliance, GA sees membership of a Neighbour-hood Watch scheme as "only half the story". Members tended to be more aware of the need for home security, which made them a better risk for insurers and enabled them to cut premiums, Mr Amphlett said. The pilot scheme had led to a cut in burglary claims.

People wanting to insure homes with General Accident

cautions inspected by one of the company's 12 brokers selling the policy. Minimum requirements include five-ledard 3621 locks on main doors and all other external doors, and key-operated security locks on all accessible windows. If these are not already fitted, they will have to be before applications for cover are accepted.

GA loses £40 million through domestic theft every year. The total cost of theft claims for the insurance industry as a whole in the first half of 1992 was £396.2 million, according to figures from the Association of British Insurers. That compares with a total of £590.7 million for the whole of 1991. The average cost of a claim has gone up from £792 to £888.

The findings of a survey released by GA showed that almost one in 12 people had been burgled in the past year and almost half knew someone who had been. Two thirds of those surveyed said they were more worned about crime today than they were

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1972	1,020	958	200	202	189			
1973	1,088	978	680	713	616			
1974	1,171	698	1,160	1,267	804			
1975	1,257	944	1,640	1,859	1,606			
1976	1,347	878	2,120	2,491	1,923			
1977	1,443	952	2,600	3,166	2,555			
1978	1,537	1,028	3,080	3,871	3,227			
1979	1,670	1,202	3,560	4,707	4,272			
1980	1,847	1,364	4,040	5,713	5,321			
1981	2,021	1,328	4,520	6,755	5,628			
1982	2,203	1,506	5,000	7,865	6,893			
1983	2,366	1,918	5,480	8,946	9,272			
1984	2,552	2,346	5,960	10,153	11,839			
1985	2,779	3,528	6,440	11,557	18,407			
1986	2,999	5,724	6,920	12,970	30,437			
1987	3,231	4,672	7,400	14,476	25,201			
1988	3,462	5,532	7,880	16,010	30,332			
1989	3,789	8,570	8,360	18,024	47,564			
1990	4,198	7,090	8,840	20,480	39,744			
1991	4,552	7,472	9,320	22,709	42,327			
30 Oct 1992	4,816*	8,430	9,720	24,437*	48,155			

Notes: All figures include re-invested income net of basic-rate tax. M&G European & General figures show the return to the investor. The Building Society figures are based on the average rate of a Building Society Share Account (Source: Central Statistical Office – Financial Statistics). The regular savings figures exclude the last payment and all payments apart from the first are made on the last business day of the month.

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## Bedroom policies double in price

By SARA McCONNELL

PREMIUMS on contents insurance policies related to the number of bedrooms in a home - bought because they cut bills for those with more expensive possessions - have risen twice as fast as those on other contents policies. In some cases, the cost of insurance has more than doubled in the past 12 months.

Bedroom-rated policies were introduced by most leading insurers about four years ago. They were meant to be simpler than traditional policies, as householders had to tell the insurer only their postcode and how many bedrooms they had to have a premium calculated. Usually, the policies have an upper limit of between £30,000 and £50,000 worth of cover.

Traditional policies require householders to calculate how much their home contents would cost to replace so the premium can be worked out. Insurers admit that they

have seriously underestimated the cost of bedroom policies and have set premiums too low to cover their costs. Ray Facer, household underwrit-



Risk under-estimated: bedroom rates have soared

ing manager at Legal & General, said: "The premiums should have been higher. When we calculate the premiums on the number of rooms, we go for what is considered to be an average. There are winners and losers and those with above average risk did not pay enough premium to cover it." Legal & General has raised

premiums on its bedroom-

rated policy by more than 50 per cent on average over the past 12 months. In some cases, the premium would have almost doubled. Mr Facer said. The cost of a traditional policy has gone up by more than 25 per cent on average.

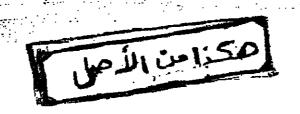
Steve Turner, superintendent, household at Sun Alliance, said that premium increases on bedroom-rated increases likely. "The market underestimated how much premium was required, " he said. Bedroomed-rated policies tended to attract those whose possessions would cost close to the insurer's upper limit (in Sun Alliance's case up to £30,000) to replace, Mr Turner said. Eagle Star has also seen

and 35 per cent, with further

sharp increases, of 50 per cent on average on its Homestar Ideal bedroom-rated policy. Some people will face a 100 per cent increase when they renew their policoes, the company said. Bedroom-based policies at

Commercial Union now cost 40 per cent more than they did this time last year. The exception to the rule appears to be Royal insurance, which reports a less substantial increase than the others, 28 per

"We use the postcode, the kind of house, the age of the house and the age of the policyholder in assessing the the company said. Traditional policies have gone up by an average of 20 per



THE unit trust industry is funds in UK- or EC-based seeking further relaxation of equities. Those with 49 per the personal equity plan rules. In an early Budget submission, the Unit Trust Association has called on Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, to allow gilt-edged stocks and corporate bonds as part of a

Peo portfolio. Since last April the full £6,000 Pep allowance can be put into unit trusts that invest at least 51 per cent of their cent of their assets in gilts or bonds lose their status.

This means those with much lower percentages in gilts and bonds are also ruled out because market fluctuaby a few percentage points.

Peps have been the saviour of the industry. In the last two quarters there was a net inflow of £655 million, mostly shelter-

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ciation is keen to shelter other unit trusts from tax by trying to have cash unit trusts accepted as tax-exempt special savings accounts. These allow £9,000 to be invested tax-free out because market fluctua-tions can change the balance there is no withdrawal of capital during the period. Unit trusts cannot offer this tax advantage. Nor can nontaxpayers register unit trusts

for gross payment of interest.

# Unit trusts seek greater Pep role THE unit trust industry is funds in UK- or EC-based ed from tax in Peps. The assolife policy blow

FIRST-TIME buyers with no dependants wanting a repayment mortgage may be forced to buy life assurance in case the value of their home falls, if a big insurer has its way.

Mortgage lenders are being told they may have to require customers needing indemnity cover to take out a life policy as well. Indemnity insurance is taken out by a homebuyer to cover lenders against loss if homebuyers default or die and there is a shortfall. Insurers and building soci-

eties are fighting a tough battle over mortgage indemni-ty insurance conditions, after huge losses by insurers as the level of repossessions rose. Lenders say insurers are hedging contracts with restrictions so they will not have to pay out. Societies have already agreed to stand 20 per cent of losses if the cover has to pay out. The more restrictive the conditions imposed on societies, the greater danger of a shortage of 90 and 95 per cent loans. Commercial Union, one of

the insurers considering imposing a life cover require-ment, said the clause was part of a draft that had not yet been agreed with any building society. Societies would only have to ensure borrowers had life assurance if they wanted cover in case a borrower died rather than defaulted and there was a shortfall when the property was sold, CU said. Cashing in such a policy would then pay

off the mortgage.

In view of the obvious difficulties with the housing market it is not an unreasonable condition. It is for buildsocieties to negotiate individually," CU said.

The Skipton Building Soci-

to cover their mortgage. We. are lending on the security of the property." It would be "morally wrong" of the society to insist, he said. Forcing buyers to take out

couldn't justify insisting that a

single person insured their life

insurance they do not need could also be contrary to building societies' duty to give best advice on investments under the Financial Services Act, Mr Scotter said. Some sorts of life cover, including convertible term assurance, which can be converted to an endowment, are investments

We couldn't justify insisting a single person insured their life to cover their mortgage'

ies negotiating with the CU on mortgage indemnity insur-ance, said it may not be able to offer loans of more than 75 per cent of the property's value if this meant having to sell in-

surance unnecessarily. Alan Scotter, the Skipton's general manager said: "We

ety, one of a number of societ- under the act, although levelterm assurance is not. Endowments are investments under the act.

Borrowers with endowment mortgages could also find their policies have to be assigned to the lender, if a connected clause in CU's contract is pushed through, Most lenders, in-

Insurance factor: Rod Young of the Legal & General

cluding the Halifax and the Abbey National, the two largest, no longer assign endow-ments, preferring to trust borrowers to pay the premiums rather than handle the extra administration. If an endowment is assigned, the lender controls the policy and benefits from the payout. It cannot be sold or surrendered and societies are told if borrowers

lapse on their premiums.

Abbey, which is also negotiating with CU on mortgage indemnity cover, has told CU it "does not consider it necessary to assign policies as the CU wants. The Abbey is awaiting CU's response to its

suggestion that it be allowed to use its own criteria. Other morrgage indemnity

insurers say they are not insisting on either life cover for repayment mortgages or assignment of endowment policies, although the thinking behind CU's move was "understandable". But Rod Young, personal insurance director at Legal & General said having life cover on a mortgage "could be a factor in the pricing of mortgage indemnity". Lend-ers, and therefore borrowers, who pay the premiums, could find indemnity insurance cheaper if loans had insur-

ance, he said.

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March	0.761	0.683	0.599	0.508	0.446	0.391
April	0.726	0.660	0.578	0.476	0.432	0.374
May	0.714	0.653	0.572	0.469	0.430	0.373
June	0.709	0.649	0.568	0.466	0.431	0.373
July	0.709	0.640	0.570	0.469	0.435	0.374
August	0.708	0.633	0.556	0.465	0.430	0.370
September	0.709	0.626	0.552	0.466	0.423	0.366
October	0.701	0.620*	0.543	0.464	0.421	0.380
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#### Investor confidence increased

by 3.3 points during the last month according to Pearl's investor confidence index. The older generation are more confident while younger age groups have lost confidence. Tax exempt special savings accounts are the most popular form of investment and the over 65s favour National Savings.

☐ Savings of up to £500 are available to Leeds Visa card holders who use the card to book a foreign holiday through a new link between the building society and Page & Moy, the travel agent.

☐ The Birmingham Midshires Building Society has a postal savings account which guarantees rates over 10 per cent gross until March 1993. First Class Pius pays 9.55 per cent on £10,000 and also guarantees an extra 0.5 per cent on the anniversary of the investment if funds have been untouched. Over £100,090

the rate is 10.05 per cent gross until March. Thirty days no tice is needed for withdrawals and there is still seven days loss of interest.

Chauffeurplan has produced a free guide. The A-Z of Motoring Law, which is available from the company at 17a Curzon Street, London WIY 8AQ or by telephoning 071 493 3141.

NM Financial Management has launched a cash unit trust which requires a minimum of £500 but should pay the rate that usually only larger investments qualify for. There is no initial charge or penalties on withdrawal.

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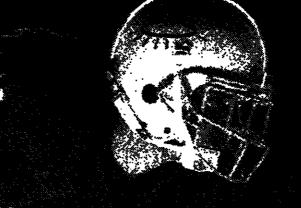
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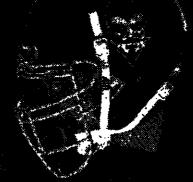
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# Lenders offer a fixed port after rate storms

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rates of interest. says Lindsay Cook

TANTALISINGLY good fixed rates, and discounts for new borrowers, are tempting mortgage payers who want certainty to remortgage.

Many people who are paying 9.25 per cent and already know that that is to be reduced to 8.5 per cent, may be prepared to take a gamble on variable rates coming down further.

Others, who were out of their depth when rates reached 15 per cent, may want to build some certainty into their lives with fixed-rate mortgages now that special offers are cheaper than they have been for more than 25 years.

The most wretched homebuyers are probably those still paying 11.45 per cent or higher on mortgages with centralised lenders, and who have seen the values of their properties fall below the size of their mortgages. They cannot remortgage and if their lenders will not cut rates, they are

The centralised lenders entered the mortgage market offering attractive interest rates from 1986, when there was tremendous competition to fund house purchase in what seemed like an everrising market.

A large chunk of this year's mortgage business has been remortgages, especially for fixed rates. Most homebuyers cannot find new properties, get their offers accepted and go through the whole legal process in time to meet deadlines for special offers.

At the Household Mortgage Corporation, borrowers on the standard rate have a promise that payments will come down to 9.95 per cent in January but they still have no idea when last week's bank base rate reduction will be Mortgage Express,



centralised lender which is part of TSB, currently charges borrowers 10.9 per cent; early in November, it announced that this would be reduced to 9.95 per cent on January 4. Mortgage Express has still to take account of the latest base

The Mortgage Corporation has a standard mortgage rate of 10.99 per cent. This week it told borrowers that that would go down to 9.5 per cent from January 1. This cut does not take account of the Autumn

street banks because of the way it is funded. The lender has a series of funding agreements, many of which are linked to the three-month London interbank offered rate. Some of these will have been taken out up to three months ago and reflect the higher rates then, a spokes-

man explained. While building societies say many of their remortgages come from centralised lenders. HMC says its redemption figures have fallen in the past

Those who are stuck in 13 per cent fixed-rate mortgages, attractive in 1990, could face redemption fees of three months' interest

Statement cut. "We are still monitoring the situation on thai," a spokesman said. Some borrowers did not

take out loans with their current lenders but were "sold" to them by their original ones when these withdrew from the British mortgage

The Household Mortgage Corporation explained that its rates lagged behind those of building societies and high two months. Inertia, and fear of the cost, stops many borrowers from changing lenders. Those who are stuck in

fixed-rate mortgages of 13 per cent or more, which seemed attractive back in 1990, could face redemption fees of three months' gross interest if they move their loans. In addition, there are legal and valuation

costs.
It is cheaper for borrowers with standard, variable mort-

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Midland is cutting its credit

on October 12.

gages to move. But they still can face bills of £1,000 or more for the paperwork involved. Abbey National this week launched a remortgage package offering £250 to-wards legal and valuation

On a £100,000 loan which is 85 per cent of the value of the property, the solicitors' fees would typically be £200 and the valuation about £160. In addition, there would be land registry fees in the region of £200, local search fees of about £50 and indemnity insurance of £500. The insurance is charged on loans over 75 per cent of the value of the property to cover the lender

should the borrower default

on the loan. New customers have to com plete by the end of May to qualify for the £250. It is available for all kinds of mortgages. Those who want long fixes could look to the Leeds Permanent, which offers 7.95 per cent over five years. This has a £195 arrangement fee and borrowers must take out either buildings and contents insurance or a new life policy. The Halifax offers a rate capped at 9.29 per

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#### Credit card rates will be cheapest for 15 years

By LINDSAY COOK

CREDIT card rates are on the way down. This week witnessed substantial reductions after the industry had previously only trimmed rates and balanced any reduction with changed conditions and higher annual charges.

Barclaycard is cutting its annual percentage rate to 22.9 per cent in January. This follows a reduction from 28.5

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per cent to 24.9 per cent at the beginning of November, criticism from consumer groups and the prime minister's encouragement to lenders to

cheapest for 15 years. In that time, however, Barclaycard has started charging borrowers from the date an item reached their account rather than the statement date.

from July 1989. This was reduced in May 1990. nailed its second cut in a few reduce their rates. The new interest rate is the rate to an APR of 24.6 per cent from November 30. Its

In recent years the bank's

from December. This rate was fixed before the latest reduction in bank base rates and more cuts could follow. National Westminster cut its credit card rate to 25.4 per cent on both its Access and Visa cards from Monday,

> base rate cut. Save & Prosper's rates fall to 22.6 per cent for its card with an annual fee and to 23.1 per cent for its no-fee card. The Co-operative Bank will be one of the last banks to

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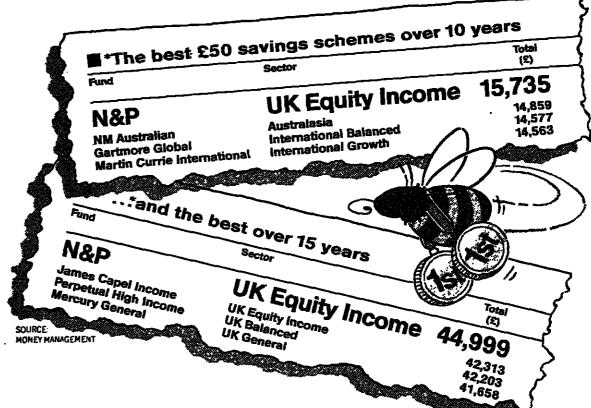
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# When a friendly act can backfire

#### Liz Dolan finds that charity work can become expensive as trustees become personally liable for debts

PEOPLE who offer their ser-vices as charity trustees are thirds of the country's 1 miloften unaware they could end up in financial difficulties, or even bankrupt, if the charity

Tougher regulations laid down in the new Charities Act 1992 mean trustees are now burdened with responsibilities more legally exacting than those placed on company dimose placed on company directors, according to a guide-book published this week by Kingsley Napley, the firm of solicitors led by Sir David Napley, the defence lawyer. Most trustees do not know that while they give their serv-

that while they give their services free, they could be person-ally liable if a charity incurs debts, or breaks a contract with a third party, says Tony Sacker, charities partner. His warning follows findings by the National Council for Voluntary Organisations that two-thirds of trustees in England and Wales do not even know they are trustees. People with titles such as committee member, governor, council member and director are not told they share the same responsibilities as official

The survey also discovered

thirds of the country's 1 million trustees do not receive any information about the nature of responsibilities. Only one in eight receives training for their work as trustees, and four in five get no training whatsoever, the report says.

One charity whose trustees are well briefed is Charity Projects, which runs Comic Relief's annual red nose day. Jane Tewson, director, says all trustees, including Lenny Henry, the comedian, are fully aware of their "quite extraordi-nary responsibilities". The next red nose day is March 12. Kingsley Napley's booklet, A Question of Trust, describes the role of trustee as "one of

the role of trustee as "one of the most onerous obligations under English law". Mr Sacker says that while trustees were had exacerbated the likelihood of creditors taking up their legal rights. "In the past, third parties tended to say, 'Oh well, it's a charity. They've done print." He said one of his clients was fighting a claim for



He knows: Lenny Henry takes his Comic Relief red nose day responsibilities seriously

money" from a bank which had discovered a loan made to Falling property prices are a charity was now worth sub- another headache as money a charity was now worth substantially more than the assets on which it had been secured. The new regulations will actively enforce previous, rather loosely-policed, require-ments that trustees of regist-ered charities with an annual income of more than £1,000 must ensure the accounts are andited annually and sent to the Charity Commission with-in ten months of the year-end. In addition, trustees must belo much income the charity can

recession is especially difficult borrowed against a charity's assers may become unsecured. as values shrink.

The booklet gives various examples of how charities can. fall foul of the many and complex laws governing them. For instance, boosting income at a charitable event by selling alcohol can lead to the loss of a charity's tax relief. Organisations can also lose their charitable status if they spend too much on campaigning rather than directly on the cause they back. Loss of tax relief equals breach of trust. the book says. Mr Sacker

avoid personal liability to make this fact clear to lenders from the outset. He says he has done so several times as a

charity trustee and never en-

countered problems. A Question of Trust suggests prospec-tive trustees follow a six-point checklist before signing up.

Ask co-trustees if they are following the charity's pur-

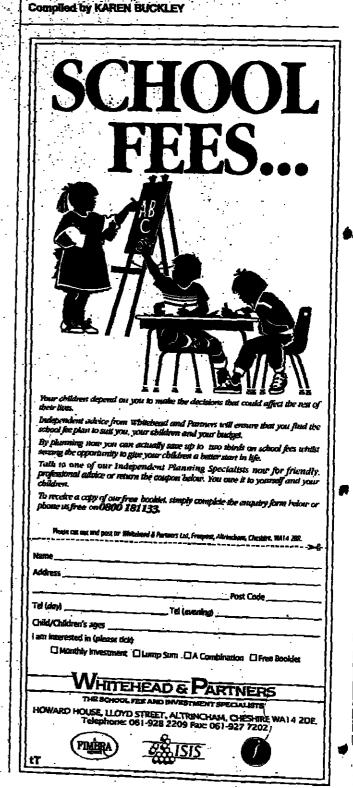
poses as laid down in the governing documents.

Note the charity's liabilities and ensure they are covered by sufficient assets, particularly in

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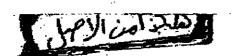
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# TSB's ready-reckoner finds the underinsured

TSB believes 62% of people have life insurance that is inadequate to

Standary,

maintain lifestyles,

says Liz Dolan

TWO in five people believe they have adequate life assurance cover when they do not, according to the results of a

survey from TSB. The bank calculates that more than 62 per cent of the population is under-insured by an average of more than £90,000. However, it says, only 18 per cent of those questioned considered themselves inadequately covered for

TSB claims that the average annual income necessary to fund the respondents' present living standards is £13.951.20. An average lump sum payout of at least ten times this, £139,512, is required to provide this level of income, the bank says. However, the average level of cover was less than £49,000, a shortfall of £90,903.

Assessed on this basis, family breadwinners are under-insured by an average of £83,462, parents caring for children by £104,578, and borrowers with unprotected loans by £128,620.

To help people to work out their insurance needs, the bank has devised a "life cover ready-reckoner", which en-ables customers to balance likely outgoings against exist-



the death of a family income provider, to find the sums required to maintain existing

lifestyles.

Despite inadequate cover. most people questioned were too pessimistic about how long they were likely to live, the survey found.

Asked to estimate how many healthy men aged 20 to 40 would die before 65, they guessed at 28 in every 100, compared with the actual figure of about 20. Estimates of the likely cost of additional cover were also wildly out. TSB charges £20 a month for £100,000 of cover over tenyears for a 29-year-old man

average monthly premium guessed by the sample was £49.50. Conversely, the avered by the sample was age monthly cost of the same cover for a man of 54 was thought to be £78.61; TSB

actually charges £109. Non-smoking 29-year-olds will be even more surprised by the monthly premiums charged for similar cover by either General Accident (£14.80) or Legal & General (£15.40). Men of 54would have to pay £89.10 and £108.30, respectively.

Legal & General offers a

similar checklist to that of TSB to help customers to calculate required cover. It comes as Protection Review, that may be obtained by calling 0737

The booklet carries encouraging snippets of information. such as the fact that 1,500 people die each day, depriving 448 wives of husbands, and 170 children of fathers.

At least 16 are married women under 50, a point that becomes particularly relevant when taken in conjunction with the findings of L&G's latest "cost of a wife" survey, due out in a few weeks.

This report will claim that the average wife (or unmar-ried equivalent) who dies before the children reach 18, costs £349 a week to replace.

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### MoD moves to help service personnel save for housing

By SARA McConnell

FULL-TIME members of the armed forces who have served for at least three years are being encouraged to save towards to the cost of buying their own home under a scheme announced by the Ministry of Defence yesterday.

It was set up in response to concern that those returning from overseas service could no longer rely on being rehoused by local authorities.

Four financial institutions the Norwich and Peterborough and the Skipton build-ing societies, Gartmore Money Management and the Bank of Scotland have been chosen by the MoD to admin-ister the scheme. All are offering gross rates guaranteed to remain at least as high as the prevailing bank base rate. Gross rates offered to other savers are normally between 1 and 2 percentage points below the prevailing base rate.

Service personnel who save £50 — £200 a month for at least five years will get El for every E3 saved, including interest, from the MoD, towards the cost of buying a home. The level of this tax-free grant could vary.

The Norwich and Peterborough will pay 0.3 per cent gross above the prevailing base rate on savings. Interest will be compounded annually and service personnel will receive annual statements. The account can be closed at any time without penalty but those who have saved for less than five years will not qualify



Excitement now — but housing problems on leaving the army: the King's Troop of the Royal Horse Artillery

for the MoD's Home Savings Allowance. The Skipton is offering a gross rate of 0.25 per cent above the prevailing base rate. Those saving with Garimore will get 7 per cent gross annually, (a compound-ed annual rate of 7.23 per

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amounts, on average, to 20 weeks a year. A four-year income bond

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twice as likely to have a credit card than those living in the North, according to a survey by Mori for Link, the building society and bank cash dispenser network. In the South, 42 per cent of those asked had at east one card compared with 24 per cent of Northerners. ☐ Scottish Equitable has launched a self-administered personal pension. Reflex Control policyholders will be able to split their contributions between Scottish Equitable pension funds and other

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#### Dispelling the myths over commission disclosure

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range of alternatives will soon

determine the insurance com-

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From Mr James Higgins Sir, I imagine, after your com-ment (November 14) you might receive one or two critical letters from commissionremunerated independent financial advisers and insurance salesmen. Although I can hardly claim to be impartial. in this matter, I thought that I should try to "balance" your

Cash disclosure of commissions is vitally important. The usual argument against disclosure is that the investor does not need to know what profit a salesman makes from the sale of a policy - in much the same way as a buyer does not know the profit a shopkeeper makes on each sale. But in a shop, at least the purchaser knows the price before buying. In the purchase of an insurance product, one never knows the true price until well after the sale, and even then it comes in the form of an almost unintelligible disclosure document which few laymen can be expected to understand. (In my experience, the investor

for instructions: they are often **Enduring power** 

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receipt of the disclosure form

From Mr H. Saunders Sir, Sara McConnell's article on enduring power of attorney (EPA) (Weekend Money November 7) is incorrect (or at any rate misleading) in stating that "If the EPA needs to be put into effect it has to be registered with the Court of

Of course the power is effective immediately it is exeany other it endures even after the donor has become mentally incapable of managing his/her affairs, at which point

52 Upper Brook Hill,

From Mr Robert Cole \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

ising, if not insulting.

ing. Financial planning has become a vast self-sustaining industry selling investment and insurance products in the place of sound advice.

sion system of reward actually prevents the industry from I firmly believe the only way to regulate the industry and Commission-remunerated prevent the recurrence of cases IPAs are forced to limit their such as the one you have so-called advice to those prodwritten about, is to educate the ucts which remunerate them. public - as you are doing -What of the investments and about the effects of commisstrategies which carry no comsion and to encourage them to ask searching questions of their adviser. Ultimately, a fee mission, such as National Savings certificates, gilts, investment trusts? (How many basis is the only sensible way to mailshots were there on the proceed and, contrary to the insurance industry myth. a fee ional Savings certificate warnsystem does not exclude the ing - "these must be withsmaller investor nor is it drawn shortly - buy now while stocks last" and how impractical for the broker.

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JAMES HIGGINS, Director. Chamberlain De Broe Ltd. 10 West Halkin Street.

own current account to ensure

that a cheque is always

honoured. If not, the situation

could arise where before a

cheque is presented, money is

withdrawn from the account

and it could go into overdraft.

As savings accounts cannot operate in overdraft, the

money remains in Abbey Na-

tional's current account until

payment is made, and is not

Mr Bussey is therefore cor-

rect in saying that interest is

no longer paid once a cheque

has been written, but I would

stress that this is common

practice as an important safe-

guard for both savings institu-

tions and their customers.

Yours faithfully.

JOHN BERRY,

Marketing Director.

used for any other purpose.

#### Abbey National policy on cheques and interest

From Mr John Berry, Sir, I write in reply to the letter from Gordon Bussey of Purley, published on 7th November, concerning Abbey National's policy on drawing and depositing cheques. Since 1st August 1992, Abbey National has paid interest on all cheques deposited into savings accounts from the fourth working day. This is in line with most of our major

Ali 10 million Abbey National savers received notification of this change in their annual statements in April of

Mr Bussey's second point referred to cheques drawn on savings accounts. When a withdrawal is made by cheque, the amount is transferred to Abbey National's

Disgust at being termed an 'Aunt Nellie'

Sir, Whilst fully appreciating the National Association of Pension Funds' discussion document setting out proposals for a compensation scheme to protect members of company pension funds will attract a wide range of opinion from the pensions world — I must protest at Peter Styles' comments (November 7).

As a member of a Maxwell Group pension scheme who contributed over some 30 years and who was due to retire in 18 months, I find it was treated as an Aunt Sally and my contributions "went walkies" - but to find myself classified among the "Poor old Auntie Nellies who must get her pension" I find patron-

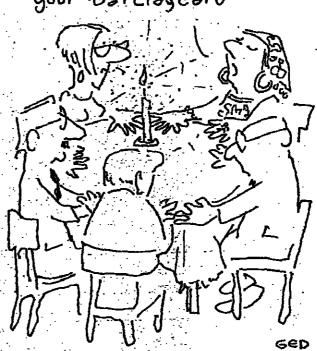
Mr Styles, as group compensation and benefits manager of a large group of comAbbey National Plc. panies do you not appreciate pension fund members represent about the largest group of

investors on the stock market? No. Mr Styles, pension fund members are not "Poor old Aunt Nellies" towards whom you feel you should have some patronising conscience - let me remind you we provide your very bread and butter particularly whilst companies enjoy pensions holidays and are allowed to cream off

pension fund surpluses. I would remind you of King Charles II's alleged dying request to his Court — "Let no poor Nellie starve" -- his Court heeded his words might us Nellies hope the NAPF members will find a solution to this problem rather than reasons why not. Yours faithfully, ROBERT COLE, 11 Sheridan Crescent,

Chislehurst, Kent.

She says she's cancelled your Barclaycard



#### Phantom of the Barclaycard

From Mr L. Burgess, Sir. On December 24th 1990, my wife received a letter from BardayCard acknowledging her letter (imaginary) asking them to cancel her Barclay Card. It was December 24th, so I went into the local branch of Barclays at East Finchley, N2., and showed them the letter. Of course my wife had never asked for her card to be cancelled, and had no intention of doing so. Enquiries went on at Barclays for several weeks, various letters and phone calls expressing profuse apology were received, and nally their supervisor phoned

to say: "That though the matter had been investigated at the very highest level, they were unable to explain why their letter had been sent." So instead of a "phantom withdrawal" we had a phan-

tom cancellation! That was the end of the matter, and we have had a good laugh many times when we think about it. Where did our phantom cancellation

Yours faithfully. L BURGESS. 235 Creighton Avenue, East Finchley,

#### It pays to read bank statements closely

From Mr L. O' B. Deacon Sir, On 2nd October I cashed a cheque for £100 at my bank and my account was duly debited with that amount on the same day. On 6th October I was debited a second time with the same amount in respect of the identical cheque. When I wrote to my bank I

received the following explanation: hank you for your letter of 19th October, bringing to my attention an error on your

statement on 6th October. "I have now discovered that the error was made by us and was caused by a duplicate processing of your cheque for £100.

"Such an error does not

come to light until a customer Pulborough, notices it. However, I have West Sussex.

From Mr Richard Rowlin Sir, With reference to the letter Mrs A. J. Blakewa Weekend Money November

For some time The Zurich Insurance Company have been offering to refund the "administration" fee charged by building societies when insurance is taken out with them. They will pay up to £25

arranged for the money to be refunded immediately and may I thank you for notifying me of this mistake."

It seems that we retired chartered accountants have something to teach the banks about the elements of doubleentry book keeping. I should very much like to know who would have been the beneficiary of my unintended largesse had I been somewhat less

As Mr Cooper says in his letter, it is now totally up to the Yours faithfully, L O'B. DEACON. Chartered Accountant, Windmill Cottage,

Old Mill Place.

#### Fee refund is cream on a competitive cake

of the fee. Zurich rates are

most competitive but the offer is limited. We have placed a substantial amount of business with them as you might

Yours faithfully, RICHARD ROWLIN, Chartered Insurance Practitioner. Thames Valley Insurance Services Ltd., 91b London Road, High Wycombe, Bucks.

#### Putting wanting into waiting

From Mr and Mrs G. Gordon Sir. Like Mr Paling (November 14) we too have been charged a palmy sum of interest incorrectly on both our Access (64p) and Visa (43p) Cards. These are both Royal Bank of Scotland cards and are paid by direct debit from our Royal Bank account. There is, therefore, no question of late payment. Also like Mr Paling, our two letters to the Credit Card Centre have not had the courtesy of a reply. Our latest Visa statement contains no refund though our Branch of the Royal Bank had said we would get a refund plus interest. We still await our

next Access statement. We end by quoting our last statements from both Access and Visa: "We apologise if you have had difficulty in contacting our telephone enquiry service. Unprecedented numbers of calls have been received." Yours faithfully. MAJORIE and GERALD GORDON.

52 Eastwoodmains Road, Giffnock. Glasgow.

From Mr.D.A. Norburn Sir. I refer to the letter from Mr Douglas Paling concerning interest charges on Access accounts. I too am very far from being satisfied with the way in which replies do not appear from The Royal Bank of Scotland's Access division.

The statement issued for September 29 caused me to write, questioning the interest charged. Having received no reply, when I sent my cheque on October 17 I asked for a reply to my letter of 29 September. On 29 October a letter dated 27 October was received, acknowledging receipt of my letter of 29 September which is receiving attention" Today (November 16) I still await positive action! Yours faithfully. D. A. NORBURN. 62 Arundel Close,

Lords Wood, Chatham, Kent.

From Mrs C. Waring Sir, Mr Douglas Paling should not expect any reply by post from Access. They will not have received his letters yet. It takes 14 days for a cheque to reach them and according to them the GPO is to blame. Strangel letters posted containing cheques at the same time have reached numerous destinations within one day. However, Access is charging interest on this delay. Up till August 92 I have settled my account every month satisfactorily incurring no interest charges. Since August 1992 there have been "deliver problems of cheques to Access". If this is happening with many Access customers -Access is making an extra profit Yours faithfully, CHARLOTTE WARING.

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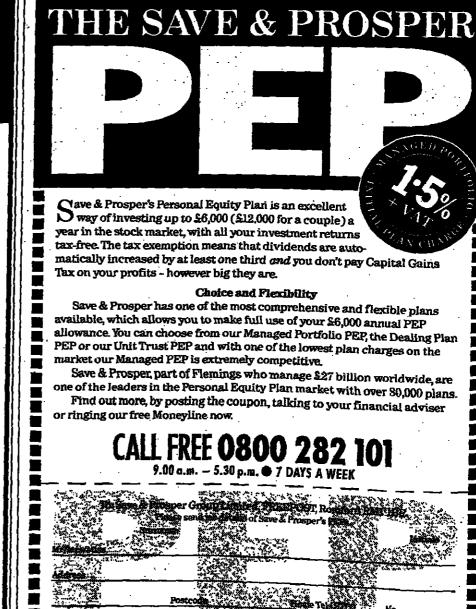
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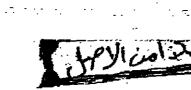
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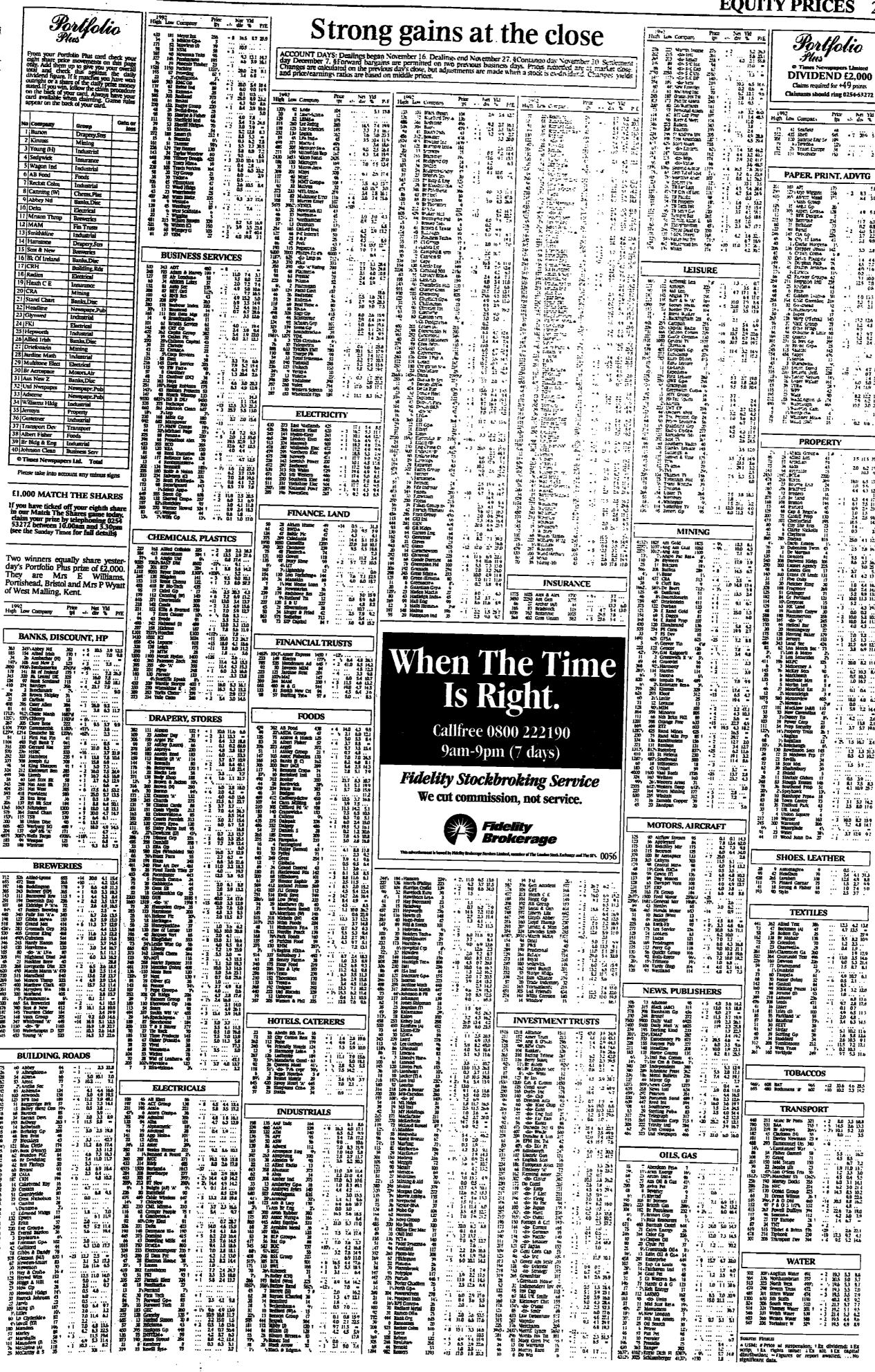
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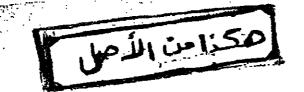
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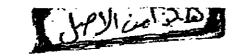


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# Welsh dragon may lack firepower to topple Australia

By DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

IF A graph had been taken of the expectations of Weish and Australian supporters over the last three weeks about the international at Cardiff Arms Park today, the line on the Welsh side would surely have dimbed dramatically as the touring party stumbled unsteadily from match to match.

Two defeats, two poor midweek struggles and a far-fromeasy encounter with Wales B, decorated by an ever-increasing casualty-list, have hardly been the stuff of dreams. The Welsh, moreover, have a far firmer base for optimism from which to operate than last year, that dreadful period when, in two matches, they conceded 101 points to Aus-

Wales

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TODAY'S TEAMS AT CARDIEF.

Full back

Prop

Hooker

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WALES REPLACEMENTS: 16 A Davies (Cardiff), 17 R H St J B Moon (Lienett), 18 N Meek (Portypool), 19 J G Davies (Nestri), 20 J D M Welseford (South Wales Police), 21 A Reynolds (Swarses).

Since then the smile has returned to the face of the dragon, with two five nations' championship wins and a substantial victory over Italy last month, during which the Welsh back play was sharply confident Ieuan Evans, the Wales captain, said, "Now we have the perfect chance to measure ourselves against a team that is the best in the world and which beat us so easily last year."

In other circumstances, that examination might have come too soon but Australia are not what they were. The retire-ment of Nick Farr-Jones and a bad string of injuries have cut deep into their core. But has the graph of their expectancy dipped so significantly?

Australia

M C Roebuck

P V Carozza

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D J Crowley

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G Morgan

R J McCall

B.T Gavin

Paul Kahl, his replacement today. "There's a good feeling within the team," Lynagh said, and these Australians seldom make such claims just for effect. "The Test is what we have come for and the guys are experienced enough to know what has to be done. "The Welsh have come on a

great deal and you have to give credit to the authorities here who realised the game was in the doldrums and sent people out to study what has been going on. There is a lot of talent here, and always has been, but it needed to be channelled in the right direction. They are well on their way back. I hope they are not quite far enough back on Saturday.

Michael Lynagh, the cap-

tain and stand-off half, denies

it. He is one of the long

casualty-list himself but, hav

ing had an operation in

Brisbane on the shoulder dis-

located against Ireland, he

rejoined the tour last weekend

and has been working with

The channel down which Alan Davies and Robert Norster have directed their players is the one called confidence. From there, the players have recovered pride and pleasure in representing their country; today Davies's plans will surely be directed at the inexperienced Kahl who, if he can be pressured, may find it difficult to bring into play one of the best strike forces in the

But the Welsh Achilles' heel is the lineout even though they have lost John Eales, Australia have ball-winners, in the underrated Rod McCall and Tim Gavin, who will take the weight off Garrick Morgan as he comes to terms with the pace of international rugby. Both the Welsh locks will have to play far better than form has suggested if they are to break the same stranglehold which destroyed them in World Cup match in



Passing time: Jones, the Wales scrum half, clears the ball as his team-mates look on at training in Cardiff yesterday

#### Scots dig deep to knock out England in sevens

Dubai: Scotland, who seemed lucky to have reached the knockout stages of the Dubai sevens, found hidden resources of energy, spirit and ingenuity to win the tournament yesterday (Chris Thau writes)

The Scots, who kicked off with an uninspired 12-12 draw against Canada on Thursday, overwhelmed a well-meaning but limited Natal by one goal and three tries to one goal and one try in yesterday's final, winning

With Mark Appleson, their centre in outstanding form, the Scots had knocked out Queensland, the holders of the trophy, in the quarterfinals. Appleson was the man of the tournament.

"It was simply fear and a couple of tactical changes that got them going." Douglas Morgan, who coached the Scottish team together with

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John Jeffrey, said. "A fear of ridicule, the fear of being made to look bad, switched them on better than any pep

"In the following game, in the semi-finals, it was enough for them to hear one word: England. The final was almost anti-climatic."

Undoubtedly the game against England was, from an emotional and a playing point of view, the final of the tournament. England, beset by injury,

battled bravely but suc-cumbed to Scotland's superior fitness and speed. Both England and Scotland scored three tries and it was a missed conversion that made the difference between win-

ning and losing. RESULTS: Ouarter-linets: Cereate 26, Ponsonby (NZ) 21 (aet); Natal 31, US Grazzies 0; England 12, Bahrain Werbiers 7; Scotland 28, Ouensteand 5, Semi-linets; Natal 12, Canada 7 (aet), Scotland 19,

MATCH-BY-MATCH GUIDE

#### Courage championship Bristol v Orreli

Bristol drop amp Jame Johnston, briging in Kevin Morgan and recalling Dean Wining at centre. Rob Kuthin the Engish Universities player, mailes his league bebut at scrum half for the injured Pinan Brachen. For Ories, Martin Street plays his first league game this season at stand-off. Geny Anscough moving to centre and Brian Wellens to wing, for Phil Halsall.

Gloucester v Saracens

Gloucester drop five players in an attempt to revive their fortunes. Martin Roberts plays his first league game of the season at full back in place of Tim Smith while Peter Miles is another league debutant, at No 3 Tony Windo. Dave Kearsey and Andy Deacon comprise a new front my at the emerse of Peter Jones. Andy Design comprise a new from, row at the expense of Peter Jones, John Hawker and Bob Philips. Saracens bring back Andy Tunningley for his first league game of the season in place of Chris Dossett at full back and John Buckton is fit again after hamslring trouble. Steve Havenscroft drops out.

Wasps v London Scottish Wasps miss Chris Oti, who has a

harnstring injury. Phil Hopley coming in on the wing. London Scottish are unchanged from their last league match, a victory over Rugby.

#### H'quins v Northampton

harlecture are without England hocker bran Moore (shoulder injury). Not Killick taking over. The former Cambridge University full back, Andy Parton, comes in on the left wing for his first league appearance in place of Mike Wedderburn Northampton of Mike Wedderburn Northampton are without the injured lan Hunter, John Steele moving to full back, allowing Sebastien Tubb to play at stand-off. Rob McNaughton's broken thumb allows Matthew Dawson to move to his normal centre position. Dave Elkington returns at scrum half

#### Leicester v Bath

Lexcester are without Tony Underwood, injured during the England-South Africa internatio England-South Affica International last week, so his brother, Rony, and Steve Hackney play on the wings. Simon Povoas continues at flanker in place of injured captain, John Wells. Bath are unchanged.

Rugby v London Irish

Rugby bring in Neil Riley at prop for the suspended Gareth Tregilgas and their only other change is also in the front row, where Jason Aldwinckle is preferred to David Fry at hooker. London Irish have a full complement of internationals and are at full strendth.

tingham yesterday.

#### Tennis

#### Novotna forces Seles to battle

FROM BARRY WOOD IN NEW YORK

MONICA Seles, who had only lost before the final of an event just once in two years, faced defeat in the quarter-finals of the Virginia Slims championship here yesterday, but recovered to overcome Jana Novotna 3-6, 6-4, 6-1.

Seles's victory was due as much to the Czechoslovak's shortcomings as her own ability to work her way out of trouble. Novotna was able to take advantage of the top seed's puzzling reluctance to play at her usual blistering pace, and her excellent approaches and crisp volleys had Seles on her heels

It was not until Novoma led 3-0 in the second set that Seles began to assert herself. The process was gradual, but persistent: Novotna could not maintain the intensity of her апаск.

Her fragile service hardly helped her cause either, as she produced nine double faults.

the last on match point.
Seles said: "I thought that I had to change my game and go for it. I was just pushing the ball back, and you can't play

against Jana like that." Martina Navratilova maintained her winning streak against Arantxa Sánchez Vicario, her 6-1, 2-6, 6-2 victory marking her twelfth

win in 13 meetings. The 12-year doubles part-nership of Natratilova and Pam Shriver went intovoluntary liquidation this week after they were defeated 6-4, 7-5, by Sánchez and Helena Sukova in the semifinals. Natratilova, 36, believes she is no longer able to deal with the demands of playing both singles and doubles, but they may still occa-Sionally play together.
RESULTS: Quarter-finals: M Navretiova (US) bt A Sánchez Viceno (Sp), 6-1, 2-6, 8-2; M Seles (Yug) bt J Novotne (C2), 3-6, 6-4.

☐ Amanda Grunfeld, Britain's last singles survivor, was beaten 6-2, 5-7, 6-2 by Elena Pampoulova-Wagner, of Bulgaria, in the Texaco women's challenger semi-finals at Not-

Premier League Coventry v Manchester City.... Crystal Palace v Notirn Forest Everton v Chelsea ..... Manchester Utd v Oldham..... Middlesbrough v Wimbledon... Norwich v Sheffield Utd .....

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Bristol City v Swindon Derby v Sunderland ... Leicester v Cambridge Utd (2.45) ....

Southend v Notts County

Bournemouth v Reading .... Burnley v Hudderstield ..... Exeter v Chester ...... Fulham v Bolton ..... Mansfield v Hartlepool Port Vale v Hull... West Brom v Bredford Wigan v Leyton Orient.

Third division Bury v Hereford ...... Colchester v Rochdale... Crewe v Lincoln...... Doncaster v Carlisle.

Torquay v Scunthorpe. Wresham v Halifax ..... GM Vauxhall Conference

Normworn v Wycombe... Starford v Degenhern and Redbridge Welling v Merthyr... Woking v Galeshead... Yeoul v Witton....

Yeovil v Witton

FA VASE: Second round: Great Harwood v Bember Bridge. Pictering v Billingham Town: Bridge Bridge Bridge Picter V Bridge Billingham Town: Bridge Br Bridgmorth, Knigs Lyrin v Satura of Cogn. Harwich and Parkesson v Enth and Celvedere. Peacehaven and Telscombe v Northwood: Cray Wanderers v Mersham, Harefield v kingsbury, Metropolitan Polica v Notification, Hoddesdon v Potoric Great Yarmouth v Lowestoft, Edgewer v Barton, Haishram v Clapton: Walthernstow Pennant v Tiptrae, Saffron Walden v Russia Manor, Dunstable v Buckengham, Sätingbourne v Centraey. Suchury Wanderers v Carwey Island; Turbindge Wells v Tonbridge; Milton Kaynes Borough v Ting: Malden Vale v Hertford: Burnham Ramblers v Banstaed Athletic. Committee. Cassas v Diss; Affred: Herdord: Burnfam Ramblers v Benasea:
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Burnham v Sawbridgeworth, Ash United v
Littlehambton, Nawport, loW v Thatcham;
Cranleigh v North Leigh, Hungerford v
Witney, Hertsy Whitney v Bournemouth;
Oxford City v Evasham; Forest Green v
Leatherhead, First Tower v Hawart; Yasa v
Pauton; Clevedon v Bernsteple; Wimborne
v Amondistury Picksons; Bernerton Heath
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Newquay v AFC Lymington. Twerton v
Cindertord

# Premier division

Dundee v Dundee Utd. St Johnstone v Motherwell First division 

Raith v Cowdenbeath..... St Mirren v Kilmarnock... Second division Albion v Stranraer...

Queen's Park v Berwick (2.0) .

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Aylasbury v Dulwich; Besingstoke v Stavenage Borough; Bromley v Chesham (at Croydon FO), Carshalton v Wivenhoe; Enfield v Bognor Regis, Grays v Suton United; Harrow v Steines; Hayes v Woldingham; Kingstonen v Hendon; Marlow v St. Alberte; Windsor and Elan v Yeading, First division: Abingdon Town v Dorking; Aveley v Purfleet; Barling v Leyton; Billericay v Misidarchead; Blahop's Stortford v Hitchirt, Chellont St. Peter v Croydon; Molasely v Whytelease, Toolling and Mischern v Ubdridge; Wernbeley v Walton; and Hersham. Second division: Neutury v Barldhermstad; Worthing v Withers; Hempton v Rainhern Third division: Aldershot Town v Epsom and Evell; Collier Row v Thame; Feltham and Hourslow v East Thurnock; Feltham and Hourslow v East Thurnock; Feltham and Hourslow v Petersheld.

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division:

Royston v Petersfield.
HPS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division:
Barrow v Winsford; Bishop Auckland v
Hyde; Budon v Morecember, Chorley v
Aconnoton Stanley; Droyleden v Galnborough; Emiley v Colwin Bey; Fleetwood v
Mossley; Fricidey v Horwich: Lisek v Goole;
Marine v Metilock; Whitley Bey v Southport.
Flist division: Alfreton v Congleton;
Eastwood Town v Guiseley; Gettin v
Sifepshed Alblon; Lancaster City v Harnocotate; Netherfield v Farsley Cellic;
Rossendale v Radcitle Borough; Warmigton v Workington; Worksop v Ceemarion.
BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier di-

non v Workington; Worksop v Celemarton.
BEAZER: HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Athessone v Hednestone: Cembridge City v Worcester; Chettamharm v
Sollhult; Crawley v Bashley; Dover v
Helastower; Gloucester v Burton; Hastings v
Dorchester, Moor Green v VS Rugby;
Troubhidge v Corby; Weymouth v Chelmstord, Mildland division: Green bern v Weeton-super-Mere; Numeaton Borough v
Leinester United; RC Warwick v Bedworth;
Rechilich v Hirodeys Sutton Codibild v
Dudley; Termsorth v Newport AFC. Southem division: Bastock v Mergate: Carterbury v Ferehem; Fisher Athletic v Andower.
Gravesend and Northilest v Braintner;
Poole v Ashford Town; Wealdstone v
Salsbury.

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SmirnNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Bellymena v
Ards; Bangor v Omach Town; Carrick v
Portaclown, Carrick v
Portaclown, Glientorin; Distillery v Lame:
Linfield v Crusaders. Linkeld v Crusaders.
KONGCA LEAGUE OF WALES: Abergaverny v Cwindran; Aberystwyth v Maestag Park; Atan Lido v Ebbw Vale; Caersws v Porthmadog: Commit's Cusey v Newtown; Haverfordwest v Briton Ferry (2.0): Holywell v Corwy 122 (2.30); Infac Cardiff v Lares (2.30); Lenichoes v Bengor; Mold v First Town.

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ABACUS LEAGUE: First division:
Ammantard v Bindgend: Caldicot v
Blasnshondda: Cardiff Civil Service v
Ferndale: Moniston v Brecon: Pembroke v
Port Taibot, Pontlypridd-Ynysyloul v
Aberamen; Ton Pentre v Carrison. Aberamen; Ton Pentre v Caerleon.

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES

LEAGUE: First division: Bacup Borough v
Glossop North End; Blackpool Rovers v
Darwen; Chaciderion v Bradford Perk
Avenue, Kldegrove Afficials v Pentitr;
Nartwich v Presool; St Helens v Blackpool
Mechanics: Steinnessdie v Chrievoe.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division:
Bristof Manor Farm v Torquey Unled:
Chard v Westbury; Dawish v Chippenham.
Evrouth v Satisach; Frome v Bidelond:
Tornington v Listeard Athetic.

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Owens v Old Feirloplans.
JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEA-GILE: Premier division: Chatterle v Fekenham; Felbatowe v Brightlingses;

Stockton.

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE: Cavit Service v O Parkonlens; O Estismeions v Crouch End Vampires; South Bank Poly v Carshalton; O Actonians v O Bromleians; Norsennen v West Wichtarn: O Salesians v Bid; Winchmore Hill v Polytochnic, Broomfeld v Southgate Olympic, Lensbury v Kew Association; Alexandre Park v O Staboners, Alleyn OB v O Lyonlans; Menton v East Bernet OG, Religate Priory v O Latymerians; O Parmitterians v Cueco.

South H. East COUNTIES LEAGUE: Fired

Bristol v Orrell.

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ARTH/RAAN LEAGUE: Premier division:
O Carthusians v O Cholmelians; O
Malvemiana v Bonnans; O Wallingbunans v
Lancing, First division; O Henovians v D
Heileyburtans; O Wastminsters v O

Southampton v Blackburn (4.0). Bardays League First division

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HFS LOANS LEAGUE: First division. Workington v Snepshed Albion (12.0).

WOMEN'S FA: Premier division: Bronte v Doncasier; ipswich v Knowsky; Millesii v Arsansi; Starion v Wimbledon; Southemp-ton v Mardstone. First division north:

ton v Maudstone. First division north: Cowpaie v Witz, Notingham v Leasowe; Sheffield Wednesdey v Sunderfand; St Helens v Abbeydale Alvechurch; Wolver-hampton v Malton Keynes, First division south: Brighton and Howe v Hessocks Beacon; Distrust Line v Hemel Hemp-steed; Horsham v Bristol; Oxford United v Town and County; Epsom and Ewel v Salidean.

RUGBY UNION

Tenby United v Cross Keys (2.30).... REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Hempshire v New Zestend Combined Services (at Havant, 20)

NATWEST COLTS COUNTY CHAMP-IONSHIP: Quarter-finals: Surrey v Gloucestership (as Sutton and Epson, 2.30pm); Kert v North Widtends (a) Blackheeth, 2.30pm).

MOTOR RALLYING

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Second division

RAC raily (first day).

v Charlton Athletic (2.55)

Premier League

Wolverhampton

Barnet v Cardiff (1.0)......

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LONDON OLD BOYS: Sentor Cup: Meedonians v Senee, Chertsey v Ignations, Tenisoneans v Cardinal Manning; Infinians v Sedoopians; Mill HM Cty v Wilsoneans; Aldenharmians v Hamptonians; Minchenderians v Homerbonians; Minchenderians v Homerbonians; Minchenderians v Homerbonians; Orionians v Steworthams; Grocers v Phoenix Manorians v Westingrians; Orionians v Steworthams; Grocers v Phoenix Manorians v Vaughantaris.

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NORTH-IERN LEAGUE: First division: Billingham Synthonia v West Auckland: Blyth Spanians v Guseborough; Brandon v Tow Law; Consett v Northellerton; Essington Colliery v Farryhill Athletor, Murton v Hobburn; Peterlee Newhown v Newcastle Blue Star; Seeham Red Star v Stondton.

Second division

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RUGBY UNION International match

Wales v Australia (at Cardiff Arms Park Courage Clubs Championship First division

Harlequins v Northampton Leicester v Bath (3.30) Rugby v London Irish...... Wasps v London Scottish Bedford v Sale...... Fylde v Waterloo (2.15)

Moriey v Newcastle Goslorth Third division Clifton v Exeter (2.30) ..... Havant v Askeans (2.30) ...

Livespool St Helens (2.30) ..... Leads v Redruth (2.30) ..... Sheffield v Broughton Park ...... Fourth division north

Fourth division south

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Weston-super-Mare (2:30)
Southend v Basingstoke (2:30)
Thurrock v North Walsham (2:30)

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College, 2.15), Neston y Cannock (Neston
RC, 2.0) Old Lougtonians y Hounslow
(Chigwell, 2.0); Southgals y Canterbury
(Broomfield School, 2.0); Surbiton y Trolans
(Sugden Road, 2.30), Second divisions:
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Brinsgham, 1.0) Brean y Reacting (King
Altred FC, 12.0); Brooklands y Besston (The
Pavilion, Sole, 2.0); Chelmsford y Warrington (Chelmer Park, 2.0); Chelmsford Warrington (Chelmer Park, 2.0); Chelmsford Heath, 2.0)
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Sudbury, 2.30); Old (Ingstoners y Doncasier (Lensbury Ground, Teddington,
2.0); Richmond y Herborne (Teddington
School, 2.0)
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LONDON AND SOUTH EAST: Courage Chine Champhorehip: First division: Earing v Old Mid-Winghlans; Elon Manor v Sideup; Old Mid-Winghlans; Elon Manor v Sideup; Old Alleymian v Old Colleans; Streethern and Crydon v Old Gaylonians; Sution and Ensom v Berking; Tabard v Guildlord and Godelming Second division morth: Cembridge v Ipswich, Chestrurt v Lensbury; Finichley v Chingford, Harlow v Woodford: Old Edwardians v Norwich, Rusilip v Upper Caption. Second division south: Camberley v Old Reagatian; Charlton Park v Old Blues; Lawes v Gravesend, US Portsmouth v KCS Old Boys; Westcombe Park v Old Juddian, Worthing v Thanat Wanderers Trind division north-west-Fußerens v Gravespoers; Kingsburars v Portsmouth v KCS Cld Boys; Westcombe Park v Old Audidina, Worning v Thanet Wanderers. Third division north-west Fulleraris v Grassinopoers; Kingaburars v Letchworth. Old Albamans v Old Verutamians; Old Merchant Taylors v Old Mathatians; Staines v Old Elzabethans; Weldwyn v Harpenden. Third division north-east: Besidon v Campon: Braterier v Woodbridge; Brentwood v Westchill; Carabingan v Rochlord. Colchester v Romfold and Galea Park: Saffron Welden v Canwey Island. Third division south-west: Alton v Crankejoh, Esstleghn v Old Empurel; Jersey v Guy's Hospital: Old Walcountains v Portsmouth, Purley v Old Windeldomans; Windhester v Warlingham. Third division south-east: Chichester v East Grinstead, Crawley v Baghtion, Dartiontians v Turbindge Wells; Enth v Bedschram, Hour v Old Brockeens; Old Beccelentam, Hour v Old Brockeens; Old Beccelentamins; v Giffingham Anchorans Middlessex and Herts: Cartiaus v Hernel Hernystead, Hendon v London New Zaeland, Hitchan v Old Meadoniens, Si Mary's Hospital v Haringey; Stevenage v Harrow.

# TOMORROW HUGBY LEAGUE STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP (3.0 urless stated): First division: Bradford v St Helens. Helitex v Warrington: Hull KR v Castleton (3 15), Legh v Leeds, Salton v Wigen. Sheffield v Widnes (3.15). Second diseston: Bramley v Carlisle (3.30), London Causaders v Swirton: Oldman v Huddershead. Third division: Barrow v Ryadiale York (2.30); Blackpool v Chorley (2.30); Dewsbury v Doncaster (3.15); Hunster v Ballay (3.30); Keighley v Highlield (3.15); Workington v Notungham Chy.

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TABLE TENNIS BRITISH LEAGUE Premier Lasquist Vyrnura v Bath, Tean Penile v NFD Grove; Si Neats v Launceston, First division north: Wellingborough v Humberside: Lincoln v Brimngham, Wast Warwickshre v NFD Grove; Cheherham v Méton Keynes, First division south: Harsham Angels v Portypool, Hanngey v Bash; Ellenborough v NFD Grove; Brentwood v Laridell.

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Purna Sunderland v Topspin Darlington:
Ternis, World Middistrough v Barradi
Castle School Area 2: likely v Upper Armiey
Leeds: Maschpoint Bramfall v Watchorn
Altreton, Area 3: Boston v Long Road
Cambridge, Lincoln Indoor v Ediphaston
Priory Area 4: Chesham 3 Star v
Batchwood Si Albaris, Middlesa University
v Clearivew Berehardod: Wellym Spin v
Purna Welsyn Area 5A: David Lloyd
Chigwed v Connaught Club: Welton Astro's
v Rochempton, Area 6B: Edward Alleyn's 8
v David Lloyd Rinchisty, Riverside Chiswick
BBC, Area 8: Bourne Fambam v David
Lloyd Hestion: Queen's Club v Ealing: Royal
Berkstrine v Cartion Area 7: Chris Lane
Wolking v Masidistone Fitness: Pavilion and
Avenue Hove v Carello.
Kingeley v Match Point Southempton.
Manydown Besingstoke v Alverstoke Gospot; West hants Boumemouth v
Centrecourt Besingstoke. TENNIS

South of Scotland

UNDER-21 CHAMPIONSHIP: Edinburgh v Glasgow (at Inverteith, 12.0)

Ayr v Boroughmur (2.0) ... Edinburgh Academicals v Heriot's FP (2.0) .....

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McEwan's inter-district championship Scottish North and Midlands

(at Mayfield, Dundee, 2.0). Edinburgh v Glasgow (at Goldenacte, 20)........

Club matches

Henot's FP (2.0)
Giasgow Academicats v Gala (2.0).
Melrose v Langholm (2.0)...
Moseley v Ottey...
Musselburgh v Hawick (2.0)....
Preston Lodge v Clarkston (2.0)....
Selkirk v Kirkcaldy (2.0)...
Stiring County v Kirmarnock (2.0)...
Watsonians v Stewart's Mel FP (2.0).
West of Scotland v Jed-Forest (2.0)

West of Scotland v Jed-Farest (2 0)

SOUTH WEST: Courage Clubs Chemplonship: First division: Gordon League v Chetterham. Maudernsead v Penyin, Newbury v Sherborne, Reading v Brindham: Si kes v Hanley, Salisbury v Cinderbord Second division: Barbury v Combe Down, Bridgwater v Marson, Odord v Windson, Struct 1 Old Curverhaysens Western Coursies: Devon and Comwall Police v Drybrook Gloucester Clot Boys v Credison Lauroeston v Winekscombe, Okshampton v Bedelord, Pengance and Naulyn v Austraburi, Twerton v Plymouth CS, Southern Coursies: Boursmouth v Bielahley, Dorchester v Bioester Grove v Chepenham Comwall and Devon: Swanage and Wareham v Abbery, Wichome v Chepenham Comwall and Devon: Embudh v Newquay Hornes; Hayle v Bude, hybridge v Errer Suracers, Schmuth v Los eard-Loce, South Motton v Saliesh; Truro v Deverport Services Gloucester and Somerset. Frome v Carnoseler, Keynstæm v Brigot Harleguns; Otcheld Cd Boys, v Old Suliens, Berlishire, Dorset and Witshire: Bradiord-un-from v Allembaton Constain v Puddletown, Melksham v Boumemouth University; Swindon Colege v North Dorset; Swindon Childern v Oderd Old Boys; Mittin keynes v Besconsfield, Oxford Marsman v Chenham Wheatley v Chrinton, Winney v Onthars.

Whitby v West Harriepool TDS Cel Boys.
MIDLANDS: Courage Clube Chemplorating: First divesion: Becksprin v Vipers,
Bermingham Soffaul v Derby; Learnington v
Leighton Buzzard, Menscleed v Woherhampson, Newark v Camp Ha; Syston v
Pavors; Westleigh v Barkers Butis. Second
division: Keresley v Burton, Merlock v
Broad Street; Moderns v Biggleswade;
Peterbarough: v Whorester: Safford v
Whitchurch: First division east: Evortfield v

Old Learningtonians v Willenhalt, Old Longtonians v Sution Coldfield Second division east: Lincoln v Kettering, Long Buckly v Kesteven; Limeworth v Glossop; Northampton BB v Coalvite; South Leaster v Worksop, Southwell v Wellingborough Second division weet. Renalworth v Handsworth, Numeston OE v Donnan, Old Laurenlians v Cowenty Wests, Selly Oak v Aston OE: Shrewston v West Midlands Police, East Midlands and Lelosster. Hurtingdon v St Nes; Market Bosworth v Metton Mowbrey, Northampton MO v Kibworth; Northampton OS v Aylestone St James; Oradby Wyggestonians; v S Neots, Old Bosworthsris v Brackley North Midlands Newport v Luctonians; Old Centrals v Five Ways OE; Old Griffmans v Evestam, Parshore v Bringhorth, Reddicth v Warley, Ross-on-Wye v Veseyams Notis, Lincs and Derby. All Sperians v Bakewell Mannenans, Grimsby v Asthoume; Illieston v Stellord: Keyworth v Notingham Casuses; Notis Police v Long Eston Statis and Warwicks: GEC St Leonards v GEC Covertry Linley v Ecclesnal, Manor Park v Duntop, Old Covertings v Owentry Saracars; Old Wheatleyans v Wednesbury, Trentram v Utlouetr

PLZZA EXPRESS NATIONAL LEAGUE: First daysion (1.0), Teddington v Stourport, Old Loughtonians v Neston. First division (1.0). Teddington v Stourport.
Oid Loughtonans v Neston.
WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE: First division: Chelmstord v Ipswich. Citizon v Provision. Exemular v Ealing, Hightown v FP Sumon Coldfield: Balsam Leosater v Stourp, Wertbledon v Doncaster Second division: Blueharts v Bradford Switherbank Bradenell v Trogens, Cambridge City v Sunderland Bedans; Colwall v Sheavood, Yale v Harleston Magpos SUN LIFE WEST LEAGUE: Premier division: Bristol v Gloucesters City, Bath Buccs v Taunton; Cevedon v Hereford, East Devon v Yeovit: West Gloucester v Exeter University, Westbury Banks v Mariborough; Weston-super-Mare v Plymouth. ERNST AND YOUNG MIDLANDS LEAGUE: Premier division: Betper v Worzester Norton, Bridginston v Cloon and West Warwock; Ediploston v Coventry and North Warwock; Knalse v Derby.
ERNST AND YOUNG NORTH PREMIER ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND NATIONAL LEAGUE: Men: First division: Tooting Aquite v Speedwell Rucsnor: Wisssex v Reebook Leegnool City, KLEA Leeds v Newcastle Staffs; Polonia Ealing v Micuno Matory I earshop

West Warmers, Edgbaston v Laveszer Westleegh; Hampton in Arden v Coventry and North Warmerk, Khalsa v Derby.

ERNST AND VOLING NORTH PREMIER LEAGUE: First division: Atdertey Edge v Walkefield; Durham University v Norton, Formby v Shetfield, Tripperley v Ben Rhydding, York v Hagmoun Northem.

PERONI SOUTH LEAGUE: Premier A: Anchonans v Tulse Hill, Blackheath v Old Taurtonkars. Bournemouth v Hempotead and Westminster. Eastcate v Wimbledon; Mardenhead v Ashlord. Oxford Hawks v High Wycombe, Ramgarhia v Lloyds Bank, Stanes v Worthing; Weythinge Haws v Old Williamsonians. Cay of Portsmouth v Purley; Dulwich v London University, Fareham v Old Williamsonians. Cay of Portsmouth v Purley; Dulwich v London University, Fareham v North Bordenheams. Winchester v Wolting; Wokingham v Ordord University, Regionals: Hampshire and Sumsy. Andows v Old Edwardens; Besingstole v Osshotti Fleet v Old Mid-Whitightians; Coan v Barnes, Hemble Old Boys v Metropolitan Police. Lensbury v Camberley, Metron v Epsom. Kerll end Sussex: BICC v Rochester and Gilingham, Bognor v Old Bocahamars. Trames Poly v Hem Bay. Middlesex. Berkshire, Bucks and Chort: Americham v Morte Morter; Cay of Oxford v Bracham v Morte Morter; Cay of Oxford v Bracham v Mortes Morters; Cay of Oxford v Bracham v Mortes Morters; Cay of Oxford v Bracham v Mortes Morters; Cay of Oxford v Bracham v Mortes Morters and Chort: Americham v Mortes Morters (Coss v HCC, Hayse v Marlow; Harrow v Old Merchant Taylors; Hendon v Aylesbury, Milf Hill v NPL, Soudhgalon; Bishops Windsor, Surbury v Erheld.

NORIMCH UNION EASTERN COUNTIES
LEAGUE: Premier division: Bishops
Stortord v Luton; Bury S. Estrands v
Redbridge and Illord; Cerehan v Westchil,
Norwich City v Cambridge University;
Pelicans v Ipswich, Peterborough Town v
Olchester, Stevenage v Blueharts; West
Hens v Crostyx; Wisbeich v Ford.

DIZZA CYBRESS I CHAROON LEAGUE.

rems v Lrosny; Wisbach v Ford,
PIZZA EXPRESS LONDON LEAGUE;
Premer division: Old Kingstonians v
Surbiton; Reading v Southgate, Richmond v
St Albans; Teddington v Old Loughtonians;
Wimbledon v Bronley, First division;
Blackheith v Spencer: Oxford University v
Guidtord, Stough v Purlay; Tulse Hill v
Dukket; Wayfindge v Cheam.

RUGBY LEAGUE NATIONAL AMATEUR LEAGUE: First division: Askam v Wigan St Patricks, Dewisbury Celtic v Saddleworth; Dudley Hall v Egramont; Haworth v Leigh East; Mistorn v Woolston; West Hull v Leigh Mistorn v Woolston; West Hull v Leigh Mistorn Second (division: Benefatter) Miliford; East Leeds v Barrow leisnd, Greatland Ar v Shaw Cross; Mayfield v Lock Lane, Moldgreen v Redhill, Outton v Walney Central.

BASINE I BALL.

CARLSBERG NATIONAL LEAGUE: Men: First division: Birmingham Buflets v Thernes Velley Typers; Detby Bucks v Guidiond Kings; Hernel Hempstead Royals v Manchester Giantis; Lecester Riders v Sunderland Saints; Worthing Bears v Cheshire Jets. Women: First division: Chesham Lades v Tharnes Velley; Lecester Lades v Northampton. London YMCA v Ipswich; Sheffield Hatters v Nottingham Wildcate.

NATIONAL CUP: Men: Second round: Solent v Ware; Plymouth v Coventry; Bury v Crystal Palace. NATIONAL TROPHY: Women: Second round: Doncaster v South Tyneside, Sunderland v Upprigham.

ICE HOCKEY BENSON AND HEDGES CUP: Semi-linei: Cardiff Devils v Nottingham Pan-thers (Wales National to Rink, 630).

HEINBEKEN NATIONAL LEAGUE: Premier division: Billingham Bornbers v Whitley Warmons; File Flyers v Ducham Wasper First division: Basingstoke Beavers v Medway Bears; Stugin Jets v Lee Valley Lone, Swindom Wildcals v Romford Raiden; Telford Tigers v Milton Keynes Kings. VOLLEYBALL

LACROSSE SOUTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Hillcroft v Hampslead, Bath v kenton; Highly v Purtey, London University v Croydon.

BOWLS: Manchester Unity Liberty Trophy Group two: Lancashire v Northumberland, Derbyshire v Durham.

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IN BRIEF Donington

returns to circuit

Donington Park will stage a Formula One motor race for the first time since 1938 after the International Motor Sports Federation yesterday confirmed next year's European grand prix will be held at the circuit

The race will be held on April 11 and replaces the originally scheduled Asian

grand prix. The Fisa world council also put back by two weeks the South African grand prix at Kyalami, to March 14, and the Interlagos event in Brazil, to March 28.

#### Vines flourishes

Yachting: Ben Vines, 18, of Petersham, Surrey, yesterday reached the final of the international youth match racing championship in Auckland.

| Fourteen single-handed yachts leave the Biscay coast of France tomorrow in the Vendee Globe, a non-stop 27,000-

#### mile race around the world.

Yorkshire's move Cricket: Yorkshire have made an official approach to Richard Stemp, the left-arm spinreleased Worcestershire. If Stemp signs. Phil Carrick is expected to be appointed captain of the

#### Youth draw

Football: England have been drawn in the same group as Turkey, the European champions. South Korea and the United States in the world youth championship in Australia next year.

#### On new track

Motor rallying: Katrin Krabbe, the double world sprint champion, plans to compete in the Dubai Rally on December 2 as co-driver for Silke Fritzinger.

#### Record entry

Biathlon: A record 550 competitors will take part in the finals of the national championships in Sheffield this week-end. Each has qualified from a regional event.

#### Boxing: Colin McMillan, the former WBO featherweight champion, has signed a new

moter, Frank Warren.

Five-bout deal

Switched on Rugby union: South Wales Electricity is to put up £1 mil-

lion to sponsor the WRU

Challenge Cup for four years.

five-bout deal with the pro-

SPORT/RACING

# Elsworth's 100-1 Champion Hurdle wager on promising five-year-old is vindicated with Ascot success Morley Street's vulnerability exposed by Muse

By RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

LESS than 24 hours after backing Muse at 100-1 for the Champion Hurdle, David Elsworth saw his judgement vindicated yesterday when his hurdler got up in the last strides to beat Morley Street. 5-2 on to win the Racecall Ascot Hurdle for the third

As Elsworth was the first to point out. Muse was a shade lucky and the result says more about Morley Street's vulnera-bility when he hits the front

Toby Balding's 1991 champion hurdler has a high cruising speed and almost glides over the obstacles as though they do not exist; so much so that he jumped himself to within a length or so of the lead at the third last.

Richard Dunwoody sensibly restrained Morley Street until approaching the last flight where Muse made a mistake. leaving the favourite

suddenly in the lead. With the course commentator and most of the crowd sure that the race was all over. Morley Street began to slow down and Muse fought back to win in the last strides.

It is not the first time Morley Street has appeared to pull himself up after striking the front and Balding reflected: "He thinks as soon as he has done it that is the winning post. He is a quaint one. We have seen that before."

By Alan Lee

IT WILL variously be blamed

on the recession and the

It remains a fact that

Aintree's first November meeting for 20 years, the

outcome of a prolonged cam-

paign by jump racing people

and covious promotion by the

track, is in danger of being

considered a flop even before

The seven races on today's

valuable card have attracted

only 53 runners. Ten go in the

Crowther Homes Becher

Chase, run over a circuit-and-

a-half of the Grand National

course and, ostensibly, the

authentic National trial for

which trainers have been

In at least two households

this morning, however, such

indifference to the unique

Donald McCain junior and

Johnny Bradburne are at

opposite ends of racing's age

and experience scale but, in

the way that this course alone

taking place.

clamouring.

treasonable.

lure of Aintree

vagaries of race planning.

Elsworth said: "I am under no illusions. We were a bit fortunate because Morley Street pulled himself up. but he is likely to do that and he is a horse who has to be produced very late."

Nevertheless, the trainer's £50 each-way investment on one of last season's top novices has a more solid look to it. although Elsworth has not ruled out the Stayers' Hurdle or even novice chasing for his "fun" horse.

Oh So Risky, who finished close behind Morley Street and Granville Again at Cheltenham on Sunday, is his main Champion Hurdle contender and Elsworth reiterated his view that Granville Again has little chance of landing the hurdling crown.

"I don't know how anyone can fancy Granville Again," Elsworth said before picking holes in his form last season. "He's not got the form to do

Declan Murphy has posed

punters with a puzzle in to-day's H & T Walker Gold Cup Chase by deserting Bradbury Star, Ascor's big-race favourite, to partner his stable companion, Deep Sensation. "The ground will help him and I was very impressed with

Deep Sensation when he beat Young Pokey here last year. He was not right in the Arkle. probably needed his first race

can contrive, they share a

romantic ideal which no

amount of realism can

the Grand National's human

giants. Ginger McCain

trained Red Rum to win the

race three times and, next

April, he plans to run City

Entertainer, with 22-year-old Donald riding. Horse and jockey have their Aintree trial

"It will be 20 years since we

first won it," mused Ginger

yesterday. "We bought this

borse cheap, at Ascot, for

young Donald to ride in the

National. He's brainwashed

by the race - but then, he

Bradburne is beyond the

starry-eyed age but, where

Aintree dreams are con-

cerned, there is no upper

limit. Today is his 47th birth-

day, the one subject he

baulked at discussing from

the Edinburgh office where he

conducts his day job as a

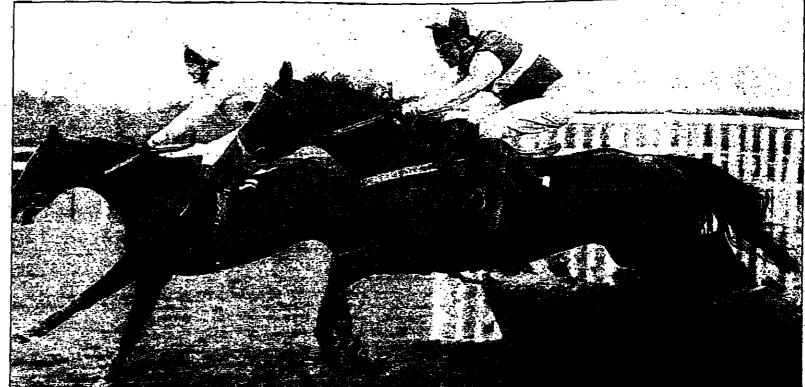
"You could say my riding career didn't take off until I

chartered surveyor.

would be, wouldn't he?"

today.

McCain is the son of one of



Muse leads Morley Street over the last hurdle at Ascot yesterday on his way to a surprise victory over the former champion

watched his last run at Chepstow on television, I think I would have ridden differently," he explained.

Murphy, whose brother, Earnonn, takes the ride on Bradbury Star, was speaking after partnering Annio Chilone to his first chasing at Wetherby and having success for Josh Gifford and

was 40," he said. "I had

fiddled about at it for more

than 20 years until we got a

decent horse called General

Chandos. Now we have Inter-

im Lib. He's already jumped

round Aintree in the John

Hughes Chase but we don't

want to think about the National until after

Not thinking about the National is, I suspect, an

impossibility for both these

men. McCain has lived with it

all his life. Bradburne may be

playing Peter Pan but, as he is

quick to point out: Dick

Saunders was 48 when he

first rode the National fences.

He is an old hand now, today

being his fifth attempt, and

although Interim Lib will be

two stone out of the handicap,

he will carry a measure of

is run by Mrs Sue Bradburne,

who has held a full licence for

six years and has 15 horses in

work. "Johnny rides out every

morning," she explains, add-

The yard in rural Fifeshire

Bradburne was 43 when he

won the National."

Saturday.'

his wife, Althea, in whose colours the six year-old runs. Sybillin jumped like a seasoned chaser rather than a novice in winning the Hurst Park Novices' Chase and, given his hurdling speed, is already being pencilled in for

ing cryptically, "and I ask his advice whenever I can get to

speak to him, which is nor-

mally on the telephone or by

"But tomorrow's race has

long been planned. It would

be the best possible birthday

present for Johnny if he won.

Neither the Bradburnes

nor the McCains will hear a

word against the National

Ginger McCain, its most

trenchant supporter, even says "I just wish all these do-

gooders would leave the place

alone. Aintree is a man's

course. Take that away, as they are doing by modifying the fences so much, and it will

It will not, however, lose the

Bradburne's view of Ain-

tree - "it gets to you, it's

wonderful" - is fully shared

in McCain's Cholmondley

home. Ginger studied today's

card and said defiantly: "They

should make this a two-day

meeting next year and have

three races over the big

lose its character."

support of the faithful.

course.

12.40 Brackenfield. 1.10 Nowhiski. 1.40 Vain Prince. 2.10 Cowgate Fountain. 2.40 Mel's Rose. 3.10 West Ender. 3.40 Dunraven Bay. THUNDERER 12.40 Brackenfield. 1.10 Loxley Range. 1.40 Vain Princa. 2.10 Cowgate Fountain. 2.40 Cashtel Dazzier. 3.10 West Ender. 3.40 Duraven Bay. Aintree still encompasses the faithful

GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT PATCHES)

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4-6 Brackweield, 9-2 This Netile Danger, 8-1 Woodbury Girl, 12-1 Generous Scot, 16-1 Beanz Meanz, 20-1 others. 1.10 LINCOLN SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE

(£1,730: 2m 1f 110yd) (13) 1 Novitista, 4-1 Lordey Range, 5-1 Westreagrandmother, 6-1 Windsor Highness, 1 Edward Lear, 10-1 Barry Owen, 12-1 La Perest, 16-1 others.

.40 CLUGSTON NOVICES CHASE (£2,880: 2m 1f 110yd) (3) 1 2841 VAIN PRINCE 14 (F) N Tobbe 5-11-4.

2-7 Vant Prince, 9-2 On The Teat, 10-1 Roomey ☐ A punter's £100 yankee with Sunderlands yesterday landed £44,973 when Maudlins Cross (4-5), Norman Conqueror (2-1), Annio Chilone (6-1) and Firm Price (100-30) won.

#### 2.10 TATTERSALLS MARES ORLY MOVICES CHASE (52,412 2m 4f) (8)

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DEPHAM SIRSES / Johnson 5-10-10 R Beggar

OS-3 LADY REMARDER 11 (6.5) 8 Notice 5-10-10 M Merrigan

SO- Med PITY FROM 250 M Medicance 5-10-10 L Lawrence

1.440 MESSFELD 888 (9.5) K Margon 6-10-10 A 8 Smith

5-706 REMARDER 15 (6.6) 7-10-10 M Dwyer

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#### Season of radical change

CRICKET followers have just under five months in which to steel themselves for a reshaped summer (Marcus Williams writes). The 1993 fixture list, released in full yesterday, provides the detail of radical changes already announced: the Britannic Assurance county championship will consist exclusively of four-day matches (with Thursday starts and each county playing the other 17 once) and the Benson and Hedges Cup

becomes a straight knockout. On top of that, the Lord's opener involving the champion county is replaced by the Tetley Bitter Shield (Essex v England A at Chelmsford) - and there will be coloured

9-TETLEY BITTER CHALLENGE (three days) Edgbaston or Trent Bridge: Warwickshire or Notinghamshire v Australians

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8-BENSON AND HEDGES CUP Semi-finals

clothing in the Sunday league, now sponsored by Axa Equity & Law and increased to 50 overs a side. Contrary to earlier fears, most of the popular county festivals survive. although mainly reduced to one four-day and one Sunday match. In May, Glamorgan take a Sunday match to Pentyrch, near Cardiff. for the first time, but Uxbridge sadly disappears from Middlesex's

list after 12 seasons. England have six Tests and three one-day internationals against Australia, and it is a strange twist to the three-day/four-day argument that the Australians, pioneers of domestic four-day cricket, continue to play the counties over three days.

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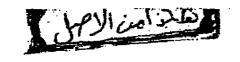
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# Bradbury Star to atone in Ascot feature

TWELVE months ago, I se lected Bradbury Star to win the H & T Walker Gold Cup at Ascot, only to see him misiudge the first fence and unseat his jockey.

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The irony of that debacle was that he then proceeded to win seven of his next eight races, besides finishing a close second to the unbeaten Milnnehoma at the Cheltenham festival.

So I hope I'm not tempting fate a second time by napping the Josh Gifford-trained seven-year-old to atone for that rare lapse by winning the same feature event today. Bradbury Star enters the race on a crest having won his first race of the current season

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

Haydock on Wednesday of Run For Free and Jodami, who finished behind him, but in the reverse order, at Aintree last spring when he won the valuable Mumm Mildmay Novices' Chase.

Although it was over further that Bradbury Star won at Cheltenham last Friday, and indeed at Liverpool, he will not be inconvenienced by to-day's shorter trip as it was over this distance that he won five

prize back to Findon again. have been handicapped ac-Over today's trip, Bradbury conding to their running in the Star makes more appeal.

Arthur Moore and Kim Bailey are other represented trainers who have won it before. Moore was successful with Weather The Storm in 1987 while Bailey won with Kings Fountain last year and Man O'Magic two years

Moore now relies upon the consistent Second Schedual, while Bailey fields last year's runner-up. Far Senior.

On New Year's Day, Bradbury Star gave Danny Harrold 7lb and a three-anda-half length beating over twoand-a-half miles Cheltenham.

With an 8lb pull, Danny Harrold has an obvious chance of revenge. Cyphrate and Beech Road

2.05 H & T WALKER GOLD CUP CHASE (Grade II: limited handicap: £27,440: 2m 3f 110yd) (10 numers)

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Welsh Champion Novices' Chase at Chepstow in the

Cyphrate, the victor on that



Tinkler: safe bet with Satin Lover

occasion, has not run since, but Beech Road performed well at Cheltenham last Saturday when third in the Mackeson.

Jenny Pitman is intent on leming her horses do her talking these days. While The Illywhacker, her runner here. won at Wincanton earlier this month, I still prefer the classier Bradbury Star.

Freeline Finishing, who misses the big race in order to concentrate on the shorter Manicou Handicap Chase, can vindicate that decision. Mizyan, an honourable second to the subsequent Haydock winner Bollin Wil-

of Easy Buck in the Forte Handicap hurdle. Belmount Captain, fresh from winning at Cheltenham last Saturday albeit over fur-

YESTERDAY'S

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Ascot

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while the safest bet on the card must surely be Nigel Tinkler's Satin Lover to win the Kennel Gate Castle Novices Hurdle. sadly at pretty skinny odds.

Aintree's first autumn meeting since 1965 can provide the season's leading jockey, Richard Dunwoody, with a treble on New Your Talkin (12.45). Baydon Star (1.45) Thombs

However, Brown Windsor, his ride in the Crowther Homes Becher Chase, has yet to show his old zest to cope with the top weight, Cool Ground, who captured the Gold Cup at Cheltenham last March.

Cool Ground also jumped a dear round at Aintree in the Grand National, so the big fences there clearly hold no

CATTERICK

#### Dunlop hoping to add to Italian haul

2.30 CLEVELAND SELLING HURDLE

(£1,656, 2m) (17)

on Italian prizes have brought home over £650,000 so far this season, has two runners at the Capannelle. Rome. tomorrow.

Pizza Connection (Darryll Hollandi takes on older horses in the group three Premio Umbria over six furlongs, among them the Richard Hannon-trained Swing Low (Richard Quinn).

Pizza Connection was unplaced in the Racecall Gold Trophy at Redcar last time out but had previously finished second in two listed races in

He may again reach a place. but the French-trained Crack Regiment looks the one to

Later in the afternoon. Dun-

JOHN Dunlop, whose raids lop saddles Futurballa (Quinn) in the group two Premio Guido Berardelli over ten furiones.

Also in the 12-runner field is David Elsworth's Bobbie Dee John Williams). Paul Cole's Frescade (Alan Munro) and the former Peter Chapple Hyam-trained Wootton Rivers (Holland).

Wootton Rivers had Futurballa in third place, winning by a length-and-a-half and a neck, when landing the Premio le Marmore on this course carlier this month. However, Dunlop's colt has a 31b pull in the weights and

could take his revenge. At Turin, Captain Le Saux runs his last race for Michael Bell in the listed Premio Amedeo Pevron.

#### of his races last season. Having won today's race five years ago with Saffron on similar ground at Cheltenham eight days ago. Lord, Josh Gifford also runs His overall form has been Deep Sensation in a twoupheld by the performances at pronged altempt to take the (Grade II: Immited handicap: £27,440: 2m 3i 110yd) (10 remners) 301 11121-1 BRADBIRY STAR 8 (F.B.S) II Campaell 1 & Cloud 7-12-0 (4cd) \_\_\_\_\_\_ F. Mampley 92 22 14271- CIPPRATE 214 (6.5) (Alex South & Jones Racing) IN Ppa 6-11-9 \_\_\_\_\_ P Scutamore 94 303 FU122-3 BEECH ROAD 7 (F.B.S) (T Seale) 6 Basing 10-11-4 \_\_\_\_\_\_ R. Gues; 63 304 1871-91 THE LLYWINGCORE 16 (B.B.S.) (I Hedwin) Mr. J. Paran 7-11-2 \_\_\_\_\_\_ M Plana 93 305 1221-42 DEEP SENTION 14 (C.B.F.F.B.S.) (F.B.D.) JECTOC 7-11-2 \_\_\_\_\_\_ D Mampley 96 306 1221-22 SECUND SCHEDUAL 14 (B.S.) (Al McMatton) A Morce (he) 7-11-2 \_\_\_\_\_\_ C Sugar 82 307 302312 - UMRY HARRICUD 281 (B.C.F.S.) (Alex S. Robres) A Turnel 8-10-13 \_\_\_\_\_ S McMattel 83 308 304-511 FAR SERIOR 21 (F.D.) (BLA H. Delby) 1 Basing 1-6-10-13 \_\_\_\_\_ NA Tony 93 309 285715 - SABANG RIVER 222 (B.S.) (Alex 6 A Shant) Mrs. J. Robres 8-10-7 \_\_\_\_\_ MA Ritigerato 71 310 0-21614 VORING MUSTLER TO (F.B.S.) (I Marketern) 1 Textion-Dayer; 5-10-7 \_\_\_\_ D Britigerator 61 THUNDERER , 1.00 Freeline Finishing. 1.00 Fragrant Dawn. 1.30 Mizvan. 1.30 Jopanini. 2.05 Bradbury Star. 2.05 BRADBURY STAR (nep). 2.35 Belmount Captain. 2.35 Belmount Captain 3.10 Satin Lover. 3.10 Satin Lover. 3.40 Ivor's Flutter GOING: GOOD TO SOFT 1.00 MANICOU HANDICAP CHASE BRADBURY STAR best Wheel Fette 14 in 6-runner Chellenham (3m 11, good to 20th) kinded handcap chase. Best eithed last casson 14/2 and of 18 to histonichoms on 18-moure grade ( Sun Alliance Novico Classo 21 Chellenham (3m, good). CYPHRATE best BEECH ROAD 71 3nd of 16 to Tipping Ten in grade 18 Marcleson Gold Cup at Chellenham (2m good) best for 2-frame Classibur (2m, good) novice chase lines sant. BEECH ROAD 71 3nd of 16 to Tipping Ten in grade 18 Marcleson Gold Cup at Chellenham (2m good) hardten in grade 18 Marcleson Gold Cup at Chellenham (2m good) hardten in grade 18 Marcleson Gold Cup at Chellenham (2m good) hardten in grade 18 Marcleson Gold Cup at Chellenham (3m 110yd, good) seeking (3m 110yd, good) marcleson Selection: BRADBURY STAR (£9,870: 2m) (6 runners) BETTING: 2-1 Freeline Fleishing, 9-4 Fraguer Down, 5-1 Fir's Lety, 5-1 Moment Of Truth, 14-1 others. 1991: SETTER COUNTRY 7-10-4 W Index (2-1) A Hadges 3 as FORM FOCUS FU'S LADY beat Eleat 41 in 3-numer Chellenbare (2m, good on firm) handicap chase on penyllismale start. MOMENT OF TRUTH running-ca 21 2st of 6 to Cary County in Kelso (2m 11, good) handicap (2m. pool in firm) bendicare classe on permittration sur. LIGARDIT OF TRUTTH romaing-on 21 2nd of 5 ACOUSTIN bendicare class. FIRE-INE FIRESHING treat Deep Sensation 21 in 5-moner Chepston (2m 110pd, good in soft) handi-cap chase. Selections: FREELINE BRESHING TRUTT (2m) 4th. FRASFIANS 1.30 FORTE HANDICAP HURDLE (£11,062: 2m 110yd) (10 runners) (221 LUDC: 2011 (1074)] (10 from ers) 201 A022-41 LOPANINI & Q.F.S.S) (N Bush) N Handware 7-17-13 (4eq. 202 22122F- CHEEFIRI, TAKES 201 (D.Q.S.) (M Surgess) B McMahor 9-11-16, 203 1120-F8 SOMS OF SOMERICE 40 (CD.FF.) (P Melton) I Balding 9-11-4 244 12430-6 SASY BRICK 21 (D.G.S.) (Beford Lannelly Co) N Gastales 5-11-2 244 12430-6 SASY BRICK 21 (D.G.S.) (Beford Lannelly Co) N Gastales 5-11-2 25 240-342 KETLY (V.D.F.S.) (Besishia Components Lid (P Millers F-11-2 205 240-342 KETLY (V.D.F.S.) (Besishia Components Lid (P Millers F-11-2 205 241-P3 MOUNTARI) KINEDOM 10 (D.F.S.) (N Michaeles) N Tarber 8 11-0 207 110-050 KALANSKO 25 (D.S.) (S Marrario A Majori (Fri) 5-10-11 208 110-2 MIZYAN 14 (D) (E Carter) J Barlice 4-10-4 209 311328 TEL ETHON 32 (V.D.F.S.) (E Williamson) P Jones 5-10-0 210 03224 SIRROMY PUNCH 224 (F) (Pal-mod Partners) J SWOOT 6-10-0 210 Long Insufficer Tol F Thon 9-12, Sunday Punch 9-5. EFTTIMES, 7-2 Jagarda, 5-1 Easy Boot, Relayad, 6-1 Mirgan, 7-1 Magnalia Mingdom, 1 BETTING: 7-2 Jopanial, 5-1 Easy Bock, Kalanski, 6-1 Miryan, 7-1 Mountain Kingdom, Song Of Stopence, Ketil, 20-1 Sanday Ponch, Tel E Thou, 1991: LA CIENASA 7-10-8 J Frost (7-1) G Balding 12 ran FORM FOCUS JOPANINI best Miami Splase 71 in 9-monor Chel-teritam (2m 110yd, hasey) handicap handis. CHEERRIL TWIES 34 2nd of 8 to Relay Dove in Admires (2m, poot) handicap handis on peacetificatis start with (AETTI (4th better off) 101 lieb. KETTI 31 2nd of 9 to impressive visinger Valliest in Chelterinem (2m 110yd, good to soft) handicap handis Soo at Footbeelt Selection. JOPANINI

FORM FOCUS

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BETTROC 8-13 Boydon Star, 3-1 Jungle Kotta, 9-2 Juney Jack, 7-1 Welshman, 8-1 Bollin Paints, 50-1 Triple Topi.

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1.45 LADBROKE NOVEMBER HANDICAP HURDLE

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(£17,200: 2m 110yd) (6 runners)

FORM FOCUS	2 25	Noel (pu), 25 Catchaperry (pu) 7 ran.
FU'S LADY best Blast 44 in 3-numer Chellenbare   DAVIN best Wide Boy 31 in 7-report Newbury (2m (2m, good to firm) handicap classe on permissions   11, good) bandicap chase   sart. MOMENT OF TRUTH romaing on 21 Sart at 6   ARCISISM best Holesmann 41 in 6-report Hunting-	2.35 PEP HANDICAP CHASE (£9,870; 3m 110yd) (5 numers)	NR Cassing Time. Shind, 8(, 15), J Gatord at Findon, Tote: £7,10; £2,60, £3,40, DF, £23,90, CSF, £51,77, Tricast, £152,79
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numer Chiepston Can 110yd, good to soft hand- cap chase with FU'S LADY 271 4th. FRASRAM Selection: FREELINE PRESHING	Lang handsap: Wellerows Character 9-12.	RAN: 16 Lift And Load (4th), 20 The Wid-
<del></del>	BETTIME: 17-10 Belmound Captain, 7-2 Wellmoon Character, 7-1 Mr Boston, 12-1 Majorn in Parvo, 20-1 Becksten Boy.	get Man (6th), 25 Dara Doone (5th), 100 Grey Sakule (pu), 7 ran, Hd, Bl, 2 H, 51, 51 D. Elsworth at Whotsbury, Tote: £8.20;
1.30 FORTE HANDICAP HURDLE BBC1	1991; ROMANY KING 7-11-7 R Guest (6-5 lav) G Balding 6 ran	52.30, £1.10. DF: 52.60. CSF-£12.27.
. (£11,062: 2m 110ya) (10 runners)	3.10 KENNEL GATE CASTLE NOVICES HURDLE	3.10 (2m ch) 1, SYBILLIN (M Dwyer, 11-5 tav, Mandain's nap); 2, What's in Orbit
201 /022-41 JOPANNI 6 (D.F.G.S) (N Sush) N Handauer 7-11-13 (4er)	Grade II: £5,440: 2m 110yd) (8 runners)	tav, Mandarin's nap); 2, What's in Orbit (M A Ricogeraid, 14-1); 3, Lucky Again (S McNell, 66-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 Biby Bad-
203 11:29-F6 SDMG OF SDCFENCE 40 (CD.OF.F) (P Menton)   Balding B-11-4	501 11 SATEN LOVER 31 (CO.5) (D Half) N Tinkler 4-11-4	gate (ut), 100-30 Fightong Words (4th), 5 ran. 8t, 10t, 25t, Jimmy Fitzgerald at Melton. Tota: £2.30; £1.10, £2.10. DF
THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY O	502 BARFORD LAD 31F (Mrs C Hamiscombe) J Finshere 5-11-0	( £11.60. CSF: £14.71.
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209 311328 TELETHON 32 (V.D.F.G.) E Wildinson P Jones 5-10-0 D Leiby (7) 93	506 1 REGENT LAD 23 (D.S.) (A Emmerson) Mess L Stotet 8-11-0 P Scodemore 98 507 ROLL A DOLLAR 37F (K Higson) D Schoots 6-11-0 P Holley —	3.40 (371 hole) 1, NUDI-CHRI WUNDER (M Dwysr, 11-8 tsy), 2, Annicombe Run (A Maguire, 9-1), 3, Lesbet (P Holley, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 Masicom (I), 5 Duncan Idaho (4th), 25 Go South (pu). 6 ran. 154, 8, dist. D Eddy at Newcastie-upon-Tyne Tote: E2.00; E1.20, E2.90. DF: 28 90 CSF-
Long handleas: Tel E Thon 9-12, Sunday Punch 9-6.	508 3 ST PATRICK'S DAY 29 (Ms J Histop) A Tomell 4-11-0. 5 Modell 97 BETTING: 4-5 Salin Lover, 9-2 Bertord Lad, 6-1 Rell A Dollar, 8-1 Regest Lad, 12-1 Colonel Fairlar, 14-1 St.	idaho (4th), 25 Go South (pu). 6 ran. 15t, 6t, dist. D Eddy at Newcastle-upon-Tyne
gETTING; 7-2 Japanial, 5-1 Easy Bock, Releast, 6-1 Miryen, 7-1 Mountain Kingdom, 10-1 Cheedal Times, 12-1 Song Of Stepence, Keldt, 20-1 Sanday Ponch, Tel E Thon.	Patrick's Day, 25-1 C Starp, 50-1 Mazzocen. 1991: NO CORRESPONDING RACE	Tote: \$2.00; \$1,20, \$2.90. DF: \$6.90 CSF*   \$11.91.
1991: LA CENARA 7-10-3 J Front (7-1) & Retting 12 ran	\ <del></del>	Jackpot: £2,859.10 (0.45 tickets; pool of £2,125.06 carried over to Ascot today).
FORM FOCUS	3.40 AURIELIUS HUHDLE (3-Y-O: £3,590: 2m 110yd) (9 numers)	Placepot: £49.60.
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tentam (2m 110yd, haavy) handicap hundis. Haydock (2m, soft) handicap hundis. MIZYAN 3951 (2nd of 4 to Bulley Burn to Chapstow (2m 110yd, Advince Chap could hundiscap hundis on petudiosals soft) handicap hundis (2m, soft) handicap hundisc	662 CUSNAC PUTURE 28F (A AII) 5 Woods 11-0 A Carroll - A Carroll - P Holley - P Holley -	Going: good to soft (chase course); heavy (hurdles)
Advince (Cm. good) bendicup hurdie on peneticasia seri with (ETT) (4b better of) (10 etc. KETT) 31 2nd of 9 is impressive wenter Valleau in Plumpton (2m 44, good) altor one-paced 2nd to	604 KING OF NORMANDY 68F (V) (R Spancer) J Filich-Hoyes 11-0	
RETTI 31 2nd of 9 to impressive winter Valified in Phompton (2m 44, good) after one-paced 2nd to Martie's Son at Postmelli (2m 24, fam). Selections JOPANSIII.	605   20 MAESTROSO 29 (NET T Dunker) & T Dunker)   1 Pulsar Houghton 11-0.   6 MacCount	1.15 (2m hole) 1, LANDED GENTRY (D Tegg, 10-1); 2, Antiguan Flyer (S Smith Ecoles, 4-5 lay, 3, Frietighter (Gary Lyons, 4-1), ALSO RAN: 5-2 Tymon Doon
COURSE OPERIALISTS	608 52 TRUMPET 22 (V,BP) (Airs M Roper) J O'Shee 11-0	Lyons, 4-1), ALSO RAN: 5-2 Tymon Doon
COURSE SPECIALISTS	BETTINE: 11-4 hour's Rotter, 7-2 Top Sole, 5-1 Sports View, Maestroso, 7-1 Normodic Rose, 12-1 Tempet, 16-1 Cosmic Future, Be My Habitat, 20-1 Xing Ot Normondy.	(4th), 25 Otter Bush (5th), 5 ren 7t, 3t, 2t, dist. C Broad at Westbury-on-Severn. Tote: £17.60; £4.90, £1.30. DF: £8.80.
TRAINERS Wine Price & JOCKEYS Whenes Rights & Mrs J Prices 12 41 29.3 P September 24 80 27.3	1991: NO CORRESPONDING RACE	CSF: £19.08.
11 75 01 70 045 M Differen 6 99 379	☐ Shaikh Mohammed has the colt outright. Arazi will	1.45 (2m holle) 1, THE BLACK MONK (P Soudamore, 8-15 (av); 2, Black Jewel (S
A Regiley 9 37 24.3 R Genet 5 28 17.9 N Tenkfer 3 15 20.0 G McCapart 5 30 16.7 D Elsworth 8 41 19.5 J Frast 8 50 16.0 G Balding 13 77 16.9 D Marphy 5 47 10.6	bought Allen Paulson's half-stand at Dalham Hall Stud	Scudemore, 8-15 (av); 2, Black Jewel (S Wynne, 5-2); 3, Metternich (S Smith Eccles, 11-2), ALSO RAN: 40 Hit The Box
G Balding 13 77 16.9 D Memby 5 47 10.6	share of Arazi and now owns next season at £20,000.	(pu), 4 ran, 10l, 15l, M Pipe at Wellington. Tote: £1.50. DF: £1.30. CSF: £2.29.
·		2.15 (2m 4f 110yd ch) 1, SACRE D'OR (C Hawlons, 4-5 fev); 2, Half Brother (B de
	GUIDE TO OUR IN-LINE RACECARD	Haan, 4-1); 3. Northern Jinks (B Powell, 9- 4). 3 ran. 10l, 20l. J Mackle at Church
	-CONE TO CONTINUE NACECATO	Broughton, Tole: £1.80. DF. £1.50. CSF: 23.46.
MANDARIN THUNDERER	1 115148 @DOD TIMES 13 (BF.F.6.S) (Mrs. D Robinson) 8 Hall 12-0 B West (7) 88	2.45 (3m ch) 1, FAST STUDY (R Bellamy. 7-4 lav); 2, Mr Setaside (B Powell, 11-1);
MANDARIN THUNDERER 12.45 Now Your Talkin. 12.45 Anna Valley.	Pacecard number. Skr-Agure form (F — left, F — where. BF — besten layouths in latest roce).  pulled up. U — unseeled titler. B — brought Going or which house has won (F — Brm, good to	i 3 Saddiodo Chriso IV Villiomerro 17.1)
1.15 Dawson City. 1.15 Strong Beau.	down. 5—48 pped up. 6—1845es. D— firm, berd. 6— good. 5—50t, good to soil, despession. 6—185 care. Days slock last heavy). Dwier in brackets. Tistoer. Age and	sky (pu), 6 Jefferby (f), 20 Jimmy O'Dea (4th), 50 Strike It Right (pu), 8 ran 21, 30t,
1.45 Baydon Star. 2.25 Cool Ground. 2.25 Stay On Tracks.	pulser op 1 Lausseer hour. 6 — prouple Good of a winch ness that for 1 mm, good to down. 5 — alloyed up. H. — misseef. D — the form, burd. 6 — good. 5 — soft, good to soft, outling. Fit flat. (8 — bitaliers. V — visor. H — theory). Dwire to brackets. Tighter. Age and flood. E — Equation (6 — course winner, D — weight. Rider plus any altowance. The Times distance veinage. CD — course and distance. Private Handicapper's rating.	ALSO RAN: 9-2 Pharson Bue (f), 5 Tarkousiv (pu), 6 Jefferby (f), 20 Jimmy O'Dea (4th), 50 Smie II Right (pu), 8 ran 21, 301, 151 D Nicholson at Temple Guting, Tota: 22, 20, £1.50, £4.40, £3.70. DF: £12.20
2.55 Elite Reg. 2.55 Citie neg.	COURT CHEEL, CO - WOOS AND GENERAL TIMES TO COMPANY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PRO	S.15 (2m hdie) 1, GRAND HAWK (P Sou-
3,25 Welsh Bard. 3.25 Logamimo. 3.55 Thumbs Up. 3.55 Thumbs Up.	2.25 CROWTHER HOMES BECHER CHASE	camore, 1-3 favi; 2, Virkon Venture (S Smith Eccles, 11-4); 3, Glen Mirage (S
	(Handicap: £20,019; 3m 3t National course) (10 runners)	Cowley, 40-11. ALSO RAN: 20 Milites Own (4th), 40 Always Alfied (pu) 5 ran NR.
RICHARD EVANS: 1.45 Baydon Star.	1 10110-4 COOL GROUND 21 (D.A.S) (Whitecombe Manor Rucking Long & Balding 10-12-0 A Maguine 93 2 051F0-2 BROWN WENDSOR 21 (V.C.F.A.S) (W Stand Mydd) M Handerson 10-10-5 R Dummoodly 97	Captain My Captain, 61, 81, M Pipe at Wellington Tote: £1.40; £1.10, £1.70, DF
The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 1.45 BAYDON STAR.	3 3312-40 (QLDBMC) 21 (F.G.S) (Laby Harris) Mrs S Smith 12-10-3	£1 30, CSF: £1.68. 3.45 (2m hotie) 1, CELCIUS (1 Descombe.
GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT NATIONAL COURSE) SIS	5 306-F43 STAY ON THACKS 17 (F.E.S) (F PRior) W A Septement 10-10-0	3.45 (2m hole) 1, CELCRUS (T Descombe, 3-1), 2, Mister Oddy (D Font, 7-4), 3, Howgii (S Wynne, 20-1), ALSO RAN, 5-4
	7 43/134-0 CITY BUTERTANIER 16 (6.5) (Indexnood Vintees; D McCain 11-10-0 Mr D McCain 1/15) 78 8 P11-282 THE ANTARTEX 14 (C.B.S) (The Edinburgh Woodles Mill Lad) G Ruberds 9-10-0 M Perret 78	( fav Ernsboy (1), 100 Sibyl O'Donnell (bd), 5   ran, 41, 30), M. Pape at Wellington, Tote:
12.45 LIVERPOOL NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE	9 USD-S43 JOHN CTDEE 8 (F.E.S.) (6 Habitard) F Marphy 9-10-0	12.90, 11.30, 11.60, DF. 13.90 CSF: 08.30
(E5,150: 2m 4f) (8 numers).	Long bendicap: Seagram 9-12: Stey Do Tracks 9-3, Four Tife 9-2. City Edicitator 9-0, The Adjates 8-4, John O'Des 8-2, Identin Lib 8-1.	Placepot: \$59.90.
5 DESIGN ANAPLIKA 14 (The Febr Bouress Participal) 5 miles + 10-4	BETTIME: 3-1 Brown Window, 7-2 Cool Ground, 6-1 Snaggan, 7-1 Kildimo, 10-1 Snay On Tracks, 14-1 City Enter- gines, Four Tite, The Autories, 20-1 Interior Lia, John S'Des.	Sedgefield
4 000P3-1 CAMBO TO (S) (Al Banks) As same 5-10-0	FORM FOCUS	Going: good
6 080-111 COSMC FURGE 17 (D.G) (n United C Folding 6-10-0	many many many many and 2 to Maning The last of heading story of Phothesis and much the St.	12.25 (2m 1i 110yd holle) 1, Station Express (A Orkney, 14-1); 2, Dody Prices
7 280-323 AMMA VALLEY TO GOT JUGS S SAME C 10-0 R Factor (5) 92	COOL GROUND 294/ 4th of 7 to Topping Tips In the grants I Telley Bitter Charitle Half Cases at 110yd, good to suff). MTERMI LB stort-head 2nd wietherby (3m 110yd, good), with KILDMID (177b) of 5 to Cornel in a handicap chase at 8 and one to suff). MTERMI LB stort-head 2nd wietherby (3m 110yd, good to suff), with FOURT TRIX tailed off 4th. Previously. 10 2nd of 5 to Wheat Fettle in a 12 control of 5 to Wheat Fettle	(16-1); 3. Dencing Days (5-1); 4. Tribute To Dad (6-1). Dunks Party 9-2 law 17 ran. 55, 61 B Efficient. Tota 212.40; 22.50, 52.40, 52.50, 52.10. DF: 6340.80 CSF. 6211.31.
Long handicag: Anna Varley 9-12, Dolly Oats 9-3. BETTING: 8-11, Non Your Talkin, 3-1 Carabo, 13-2 Anna Varley, 18-1 Royal Pigner, 12-1 Costric Force, 14-1 Aus-		51, 61, 81 Esison, 1018: \$12.40, \$2.50, \$2.40, \$2.50, \$2.10, DF \$2.40,80 CSF, \$211.31.
ruka, 16-1 Dwigwidish, 20-1 Dwilly Cols. 1981: NO CORFESPONDING MEETING	(3ft ) 10/10, (1000), Will SEMECHARM (250 WORSO 18)   THIRDESD IN RESD (34) 11, (1000), Will STATI   10/1 3rd and JCHN (17055 (1810 Worso (8) 2 distant   Chi TRACKS (1810 belies (8)) 1/1 3rd.	Tricest; £1,173.93. 12.65 (2m 1/ 110yd holle) 1. Knights
	4 iju. SEASRAM 151 3rd of 4 to Bestmout Capatés in 1 Solection: BROWN WINDSOR	(Jacqui Ofiver, 13-2); 2. Hudson Bay Trader (5-2); 3. Nishkina (2-1 favi. 5 ran NR: Corbon 21 31 C Grand Tate: 05 90
1.15 STANLEY LEISURE CHILDREN IN NEED HOVICES BECT	2.55 ROBERT BLOTT SELLING HURDLE	NR: Carbos. 71. 31. C Broad. Tote: 25.90; 52.10, 51.50. DF: 511.10. CSF 520.80
CHASE (£9,180: 2m 4f Mildmay course) (6 numers)	(£5,312: 2m 110yd) (11 runners)	1.25 (2m 1f ch) 1. Meudlins Cross (P Niven, 4-5 lav), 2. Geladine (16-1); 3. Impany (20-1). 8 ren 8, 31 Mrs G Reveley
54005-3 SHANNON BLEN 21 (CD.5) (Airs E Highins) Mrs J Phrain 6-11-0 B Powell 88	1 633-000 TARREDN 9 (B.D.F) (Crewit Sevens Partnerskip) A Barrow 4-11-11 B Powell — 2 2-53324 VA UTU 14 (D.F.S) (M Channon) M Channes 4-11-11 Lorns Vincent —	Tote: £1.90; £1.10, £6.80, £3.70. DF: £37.70, CSF: £13.42. Tricast. £141.50.
4 2130-02 VAYADA 17 (LUJES) D FINISHY 1 104 6 11.0 T Scuttury 90	P. B.ESANT FRIERD 12F (Mark Templates Racing) M Templates 4-11-8	1.55 (3m 3f ch) 1, Boreen Owen (Mr N Wilson, 8-15 tav); 2, Buckle It Up (7-2), 3,
5 214-311 WICK PLOTO 25 (1) 5.5 (1) 15 Sharing M H Fasterin 5-10-12	5 904-0 LEGUARD EXPRESS 19 (Mrs L ("Web) & 0"Neb) 4-11-8 V Shippy (5) 🕶 j	rrescri, o-13 tev); ∠, oUC98 f Up (/-∠), 3, jimo i see (?Q.1), 7 ran, NR: Alesian
6 T221-27 DAVISON CHY 7 (0.7,32.9) (6 SEX.) 81 STEPHON Blad. 4-1 Wilch Pound, 13-2 Scola, Veynus. BETTRIES 9-4 Davison City, 5-2 Sirong Beau, 3-1 Stephon Blad. 4-1 Wilch Pound, 13-2 Scola, Veynus.	6 00- NORTHERN CONDUENOR 12F (Ms. J. Naughton) T. Naughton 4-11-8	Jims Lass (33-1). 7 ran. NR: Alaskan Goodwil. 31, 81, J.J. O'Neill. Tota: £1.40.

TING: 4-5 Saith Lover, 9-2 Barturd Lod, 6-1 Real A Dolfer, 6-1 Regard Lod, 12-1 Calonel Pairise, 14-1 St. dr's Day, 25-1 G Sterp, 50-1 Mazzoco. 1991: NIO CORRESPONDING RACE	61, dist. D Eddy at Newcastle-upon-Tyne Toue: \$2.00; \$1.20, \$2.90. DF: 56.90 CSF- \$11.91.
40 AURIELIUS HUHDLE (3-Y-0: £3,590: 2m 110yd) (9 runners)	Jackpot: £2,859.10 (0.45 tickets; pool of £2,125.09 carried over to Ascot today). Placapot: £49.60.
403 BE MY HABITAT 7 (Miss & Siddail) Mass & Siddail 11-0	Leicester
COSMIC PUTURE 28F (A AIT) S Woods 11-0 A Carroll MOR'S FLUTTER 30F (M Perry) D Essenth 11-6 P Holley — VONS OF MORBANIOY 68F (V) (R Species) J Filich-Hoyes 11-0 J Krisanigh —	Going: good to soft (chase course); heavy (nuclies)
20 MAESTROSO 29 (Mrs T Dombar) A Lobuson Haughton 11-0	1.15 Cm lyle) 1 LANDED GENTRY (D
52 TRUMPET 22 (V.BF) (Alts M Roper) J O'Shee 11-0	Tegg, 10-1); 2, Antiguan Flyer (S Smith Eccles, 4-5 lav), 3, Friefighter (Gary Lyons, 4-1), ALSO RAN: 5-2 lymron Doon (4th), 25 Otter Bush (5th), 5 ren 7f, 3t, 2t.
TBIES 11-4 hat's Flatter, 7-2 Top Spin, 5-1 Sports Weer, Masstropo, 7-1 Nomedic Rose, 12-1 Tempet, 16-1 nic Future, Be My Habilat, 20-1 Xing Of Normandy. 1991: NO CORRESPONDENS RACE	(4th), 25 Otter Bush (5th), 5 ren 71, 31, 21, dist. C Broad at Westbury-on-Severn. Tote: £17,60; £4,90, £1,30. DF: £8.80. CSF: £19,08.
	1 45 POM INTO 1 THE DI ACK MOAN ID
Shaikh Mohammed has the colt outright. Arazi will stand at Dalham Hall Stud next season at £20,000.	Soudamore, 8-15 (av); 2, Black Jewel (S Wynne, 5-2); 3, Mettermich (S Smith Eccles, 11-2), ALSO RAN; 40 Hil The Box (pu), 4 ran, 101, 151 M Pipe at Weilington, Tote: £1.50. DF: £1.50. CSF: £2.29.
	2.15 (2m ef 110yd ch) 1, SACRE D'OR (C Hawlons, 4-5 fav); 2, Half Brother (B de Haan, 4-1); 3, Northern Jinks (B Powell, B-
GUIDE TO OUR IN-LINE RACECARD	4). 3 ran. 10l. 20l. J Mackle at Church Broughton, Total 21.80. DF. 21.50. CSF:
113143 GOOD TIMES 13 (BF.F.G.S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Helt 12-0	2.45 (3m ch) 1, FAST STUDY (R Belamy, 7-4 lav); 2, Mr Setasicle (B Powell, 11-1); 3, Saddler's Choice (N Wilhamson, 10-1).
scard number. Skr-Appe born (f. — leit. P.— winner. 26. — besten larocute in Valest scar). ed op. U.— unstated hidde. 8.— brought Golog or which house has won (f. — firm, good to n. 5.— styped op. 18.— milksed. D.— farm, bend. G.— good. 5.— soft, good to soft,	ALSO RAN: 9-2 Pharach Blue (1), 5 Tarkov- sky (pu), 6 Jefferby (1), 20 Jimmy O'Dea
partition). House's cares. Copys since lest to the first state of the control of	(4th), 50 Strike It Flight (pu), 8 ran 21, 301, 151. D Nicholson at Temple Guting, Tote: 52 20; £1 50, £4.40, £3.70. DF: £12.20 CSF: £18.01.
25 PONNITUED LIMING DEPUED PHASE	3.15 (2m hole) 1, GRAND HAWK (P Scu- damore, 1-3 fav); 2, Virkon Venture (S Smith Frotes, 11-3); 3, Glan Minore (S
ndicap: £20,019; 3m 3i National course) (10 runners)	Smith Eccles, 11-4); 3, Glen Mirage (S Cowley, 40-11. ALSO RAN: 20 Miles Own (4th), 40 Alweys Alied (pull 5 ran NR. Captain My Captain, 61, 81. M Pape at
10110-4 COOL GROUND 21 (D.A.S.) (Whiteonia Manor Aucloy Log 6 Raiding 10-12-0 A Marguin. 93. 05180-2 RROWN WRIDSOR 21 (V.C.F.A.S.) (W Stand Lynd) N Herndeson 10-10-6 R Durmoody 97. 2012-40. N D.BAD 21 65 St. Jazie Harris Mars S Smith 12-10-3.	Captain My Captain, 63, 81, M Proe at 1 Wellington, Tote: £1.40; £1.10, £1.70, DF £1.30, CSF: £1.68.
3312-40 (RLDBMO 21 (F.G.S) (Lab) Hards) Mrs S Smith 12-10-3 L Wyer (S) 1979-33 SEARRAM 7 (C.D.F.G.S) (St Gir Paised) 0 Baross 12-10-6 N Hards 66 S06-FG STAY 0B TRACES 17 (F.B.S) (PRIO) W Search 10-10-0 C Goard 87 32/1624 FDUR TREX 7 (F.S.S) Date S Cathermood 6 Richertis 11-10-0 D Byran 88	3.45 (2m holle) 1, CELCIUS (T Descembe, 3-1), 2, Mileter Oddy (D Fort, 7-4), 3,
P11-282 THE ANTARTEX 14 (C.D.S) (The Edinberth Woodles Mill List) G Richards 9-10-0 M Perred. 78	Howgill (S Wyrane, 20-1). ALSO RAN. 5-4 fav Ernsboy (f), 100 Sibvi O'Donnell (bd). 5 ran. 4l, 30i. M Pape at Wellington. Tota:
1990-543 JUNIN (7) DEE 8 (F.E.S.) (6 Hebbard) F Morphy 9-10-0 PAP Paul Marphy (7) 69 54-5122 INTERIN LIB 7 (F.9.S) (6) Hendesconk bler 5 Bradbonne 9-10-0 Mr J Bradbonne 76 p Incodings: Seagram 9-12 Stay (by Tracks 9-3, Four Yin 9-2, City Edisphian 9-0, The America 8-4, John	12.90, 11.30, 11.60, DF, 13.90 CSF: 18.30 Placepot: 159.90.
e 8-2, Interior Life 8-1. NNEC 3-1 Steppe Windson, 7-2 Cool Ground, 6-1 Sanggar, 7-1 Kilolimo, 16-1 Step De Tracks, 14-1 City Enter-	Sedgefield
r, Four Tife, The Antantes, 20-1 Interior Ust, John O'One. FORM FOCUS	Going: good
CONTROL COLL 46 of 7 to Tuning The last of breading strong of Challedren had usual Class 21	12.25 (2m 11 110yd holle) 1, Station Express (A Orkney, 14-1); 2, Dody Prices (16-1); 3, Denoing Days (5-1); 4, Indute
A. GROUND 294/ 4th of 7 to Topsion The Ingane II Teley Busic Charle Hall Chase at 110yd, good to soft, MTERIAL US short-head 3nd eathy (3n 110yd, good to soft, MTERIAL US short-head 3nd eathy (3n 110yd, good to soft, which Foulk TRIX taked of 4th, Far Sentor in a handicap chase at Sandgen Previously, 101 2nd of 5 to Whast Fatte in a	(16-1); 3. Dencing Days (5-1); 4. Tribute To Dad (6-1). Danks Party 9-2 tav 17 ran. St. 61. B Effson. Tote: £12.40; £2.50, £2.40, £2.50, £2.10. DF £340.60 CSF. £211.31.
Tall Samuri II, Brandand Usaba and Samples (1994) (	Tricest; £1,173,93. 12,65 (2m tf 110yd holle) 1. Knights Llacqui Oliver, 13-2); 2. Hudson Bay
	Trader (5-2); 3, Nishkine (2-1 favl. 5 ran NR: Cathos. 71, 31. C Broad. Tota: 26.90;
.55 ROBERT BLOTT SELLING HURDLE .312: 2m 110yd) (11 runners)	22.10, £1.50, DF: £11.10, CSF £20.80 1.25 (2m 11 ch) 1, Maudlins Cross (P Niven, 4-5 lav), 2, Galadine (16-1); 3,
ESS-000 TARMON 9 (B.D.F) (Denuit Studens Partureship) A Berton 4-11-11	Noven, 4-5 tav), 2. Geladine (16-1); 3. Impany (20-1), 8 ran. 8, 31 Mrs G Reveloy Tote: €1.90; £1.10, £6.80, £3.70. DF: £37.70. CSF: £13.42, Tricast, £141.50.
JOHN SHAW 16F (Mrs S Weiter) C Trider 4-17-8	
80- NORTHERN CONDUCTION 12F (Mrs. ) Neighbort 7 Neighbort 4-11-8	1.55 (3rn 3f ch) 1, Boreen Owen (Mr N ) Wilson, 8-15 tev); 2, Buckle it Up (7-2), 3,
2 ELTE RES 18 (6) (A Lores) M Pipe 3-10-6	1.55 (3m 3f ch) 1, Boreen Owen (Mr N Wison, 8-15 tex); 2, Buckle II Up (7-2; 3, Jime 1,258 (33-1), 7 ran, NP: Aleskan Goodwift, 3l, 8l, J.J. O'Neil, Tote: \$1.40, \$1.10, \$2.10 DF: \$2.00. CSF: \$2.81
2 ELITE RES 18 (B) (A Lones) M Pge 3-10-6. J. Lones — PED MASEER 6 (Mas J. Cataghan) N Cataghan 3-10-6. A Magain — PED MASEER 6 (Mase) A C Revolution N Tolkin 3-10-6. R Debugging — PED MASEER 8 (Magain — PED MASEER 8 (Magain — PED MASEER 9 M Tolkin 3-10-6. R Debugging — PED MASEER 9 M TOLKIN A M	2.25 (2m 5) ch) 1, Habton Whin (I, Wyer, 4-1); 2, Regan (16-1); 3, Reviller's Giory (20-1); Bonanca 13-8 tex 9 ren. 2, 121 M
2 ELTE RES 18 (6) (A Loses) M Pps 3-10-6 J. Lower — P20 MASEER 8 (Ms.s. ) Categorian) N Categorian 3-10-6 A Magnara — O PORT IN A STORM 7 (5 Baselegters) N Takker 3-10-5 R Denomocky — 5 DALY SPORT SIRL 14 (8 Limetign 8 Limetign 3-10-1 Ms / L. Lowellyn (7) — 1945: 11-4 Elba Reg. 4-1 W Cut, 5-1 John Storm, 13-2 Creatwood Last, 7-1 Mszer, 10-1 Port in A Storm, Monthern Companio, 14-1 Dally Sport Girl, 16-1 Farmon. 20-1 Elegant Friend, Legand Express.	225 (2m 5t ch) 1, Habbon Whin (I, Wyer, 4-1); 2, Regan (16-1); 3, Reviller's Glory (20-1) Bonarca 13-8 fav. 9 ram 2, 121 M H Easterby, Tote: 25-50; 21-50, 21-40, 24-50. DF 233.80 CSF 255 10.
2 ELTE RES 18 (8) (A Liones) M Pips 3-10-6	2.25 (2m 5i ch) 1. Habton Whin (I. Wyer. 4-1); 2. Regen (16-1); 3. Reviller's Gony (20-1) Bonarca 13-8 tev. 9 nan. 2. 121 M H Easterby. Tote: £5.50, £1.50, £1.40, £4.50, DF £33,80 CSF £55 10. 24.50, DF £33,80 CSF £55 10. 2.55 (2m 5i 110)vd hotle) 1. Firm Price (P Niven, 100-30 j-tev); 2. Dari Sound (100-30 j-tev); 3. Molland Lad (10-1) Mr Renter 100-30 j-tev); 3. Molland Lad (10-1) Mr Renter 100-30 j-tev); 3. Molland Lad (10-1) Renter 100-30 j-tev); 3. Molland Renter 100-30 j-tev); 3. Molla
2 ELTE RES 18 (8) (A Linese) M Pipe 3-10-6	225 (2m 5i ch) 1. Habton Whin (i, Wyer, 4-1); 2, Regan (16-1); 3, Reviller's Glory (20-1) Bonarca 13-8 (sv. 9 ran. 2, 121 M) H Easserby. Tote: 55.50; 51.50, 51.40, 64.50. DF 233.80 CSF 255 10. 2.55 (2m 5i 110yd holle) 1. Firm Prica (P Niven, 100-30 (i-fav); 2, Deri Sound (100-30 i-fav); 3, Michard Lad (10-1) Mr Rener (100-30 i-fav, 7 ran. %), 201 May G Reveley Tote: 58 007; 520. 51.70. DF. 511.70. CSF: 513.78.
2 ELTE RES 18 (8) (A Linese) M Pap 3-10-6. June Pape MASER 8 (Mas J Categoria) N Categoria 3-10-6. A Magnine O PORT IN A STORM 7 (5 Baseloghars) N Takke 3-10-5. R Derwoody O PORT IN A STORM 7 (5 Baseloghars) N Takke 3-10-5. R Derwoody O PORT IN A STORM 7 (5 Baseloghars) N June May 10-5. In Rep. 4-1 W Un. 5-1 John Stant, 13-2 Creshwood Lad, 7-1 Maser, 10-1 Port In A Storm, Northern Companio, 14-1 Daly Sport Git, 16-1-Farmon, 20-1 Repert Friend, Legard Express.  25 WAVERTRIEE CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE 455: 2m Mildinary course) (5 runners)  1113F-U WELSH BARD 4 (D.F.G.S) (Mas G Abecasse) C Brooks 8-12-0. R Fernant (3) 97 4375-3135-3135-3135-3135-3135-3135-3135-3	2.25 (2m 5: ch) 1. Habton Whin (i. Wyer. 4-1); 2, Regan (16-1); 3, Reviller's Glory (20-1) Boreroa 13-8 tev. 9 ran. 2, 12 M 1 Easarby. Tote: 25.50; 21.50, 21.40, 54.50. DF 233.80 CSF 255 10. 2.55 (2m 5: 110yd hote) 1. Firm Price (P. Niven, 100-30) (-tay); 2, Dari Sound (100-30) (-tay); 3, Midland Lad (10-1) Mr Rener 100-30) (-tay); 3, Midland Lad (10-1) Mr Rener 100-30) (-tay); 3, Midland Lad (10-1) Mr Rener 100-30) (-tay); 3, Midland Lad (10-1) Mr Rener 100-30; 1-tay); 7, ran. % (20) Mrs G Reveley Tote: 64 00; 22.00. ct. 70. DF. 211.70. CSF: ct. 3.78. 3.25 (3m 3: 110yd hote) 1, My Desire (P. Niven, 4-5 tay); 2, Lion (O' Vienna (33-1); 3.
2 ELTE RES 18 (8) (A Liness) M Pap 3-10-6	225 (2m 5i ch) 1. Habton Whin (i, Wyer, 4-1); 2, Regan (16-1); 3, Reviller's Glory (20-1) Bonarca 13-8 (sv. 9 ran. 2, 121 M) H Easserby. Tote: 55.50; 51.50, 51.40, 64.50. DF 233.80 CSF 255 10. 2.55 (2m 5i 110yd holle) 1. Firm Prica (P Niven, 100-30 (i-fav); 2, Deri Sound (100-30 i-fav); 3, Michard Lad (10-1) Mr Rener (100-30 i-fav, 7 ran. %), 201 May G Reveley Tote: 58 007; 520. 51.70. DF. 511.70. CSF: 513.78.

8 2 ELTE REB 18 (B) (A LOURS) M Page 3-10-5	\$1.10.2210 DF 22.00.00F 12.01
9 P20 NASEER 6 (Ass. J. Catagnae) N Catagnae 3-10-6	2.25 (2m 51 ch) 1, Habton Whin (I, Wyer, 4-1); 2, Regan (16-1); 3, Reviller's Giory (20-1) Bonarca 13-8 fsv. 9 rar. 2, 121 M H Easterby. Tota: £5.50; £1.50, £1.40, £4.50. DF £33.60 CSF £55 10. 2.55 (2m 51 110)rd hotle) 1, Firm Prica (P
3.25 WAVERTREE CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE  65,455; 2m Mildmay course) (5 numers)  1 1113F-U WELSH BARD 4 (D.F.C.S) (Mrs & Abscesse) C Brooks 8-12-0	Miren, 100-30 (i-fev); 2, Deri Sound (100-30 (fev); 3, Michard Lad (10-1) Mir Remoto (100-30 (fev); 7, and (100 Mire G Revelley Tota: £4 00; £2:00, £1:70. DF. £11:70. CSF: £13:78. 3.25 (3m 3) 110yd hota) 1, My Desire (P Niven, 4-5 tay); 2, Lion Of Vienna (33-1); 3, Highlend Friend (66-1). 15 ran, 107. Mires G Revelley. Tota: £1:70, £1:10, £5:90, £8:50. DF. £23:50. CSF. £31:31.
2.55 EBF NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE  Qualifier: £3,434; 2m 110yd) (7 runners)  1 513x25-1 Themes UP 14 (0.5) (M Byrotoy) N Herdenson 8-11-5	Racing next week MONDAY: Catterlok Bridge, Wower- hampton, Folkestone. TUESDAY: Humtingdon, Stratford, Southwell (AW). WEDNESDAY: Plumpton, Hexham, Hereford. THURSDAY: Nottingham, Taunton, Cartisle. FRIDAY: Newbury, Bancor, South-

BETTING: 4-9 Thunds Up. 9-2 Dommers Delight, 11-2 Smith Too., 10-1 Resit: Flight, 12-1 Filinters, 20-1 others,

☐ Jonjo O'Neill has Aintree in Sedgefield. The eight-yearmind after Boreen Owen's old, ridden by amateur Noel victory in the Colin Mac- Wilson, will be aimed at next

Andrew Memorial Chase at year's Grand National.



	6 F-20 SRIS ET VIDLET 22 (D.F.G) Jeneny Fizzgerán 5-10-7P Hani 7 40- FEASIBLE 371 (D.G) S Avery 8-10-7
	9 9/5 DROPS OF COLD 405 G Hammy 8-10-5 B restung 10 1/6- DEACKOS 35F (D.P.) A Stringer 7-10-5
	11 14-0 NICHOLAS MARK 43 (D.F) Jammy Fitzgenid 8-10-0
	12 PSG: KWACHA 666F W Witiams 6-10-0 D Wildows 13 840- WHITEWEBB 206 (D.G.) B Morray 5-10-0 A Dobbin (
	3-1 Persuasive, 9-2 Flowing River, 6-1 Tapatch, 7-1 Facility Letter, 8-1 Byzastin 10-1 Fiery Sun, Drops Of Bold, 12-1 Bris & Violet, Demokos, 14-1 others.
	2.00 WHITBY NOVICES CHASE (£2,101: 2m) (13)
1	1 1/70 AWKAS 11 (8) 6 Moore 7-11-0
1	4 0/83 OR JECYLL 28 R Wester 7-11-0 J A Heart 5 5-40 HENRY WILL 7 T Faithurs 8-11-0 R Garti 6 6/P- JUST DICREDIBLE 379 J Leigh 6-11-0 C Dennis (
-	7 -U25 KHARF 9 (F.G.S) R Allan 8-11-0
	10 F-P2 BOARDING SCHOOL 12 (S) C Parier 5-10-13 8 Store
ı	11 8-55 NANIDABE 21 (B.G.S) N Traker 5-10-13
1	7-4 Boarding School, 3-1 Mosel, 7-2 Kanndebil, 8-1 Reggae Beal, 12-1 Passage T Freedom, 14-1 Dr Jelyd, 16-1 Ankas, 20-1 others

	Į (£1,656. 2m) (17)
MANDARIN	1 41P- TAYLORMADE BOY 402 (CD.F.G.S.) Servic Smit 9-12-8
12.55 Kayarts. 1.25 Persuasive. 2.00 Kharif. 2.30 Taylormade Boy. 3.00 River House. 3.30 Rose Tableau.	P Wagont G)  2 SPO GODOWNOV 9 (8 D.S. ) Farture 9-12 J Calendar  3 00 CHOICE LOT 168F 1 Carmed 5-11 Peter Caldwid  4 0 GOLDER ANGORA - M. 5-12 Peter Caldwid  5 6 LIBERS 8 8 4 Company 4-15 Mr. A Thompson (5)
THUNDERER	6 6F MANCONAUTAL 22 : Marie 5-1 C Hawton's
12.55 Major's Law. 1.25 Persuasive. 2.00 BOARD- ING SCHOOL (nap). 2.30 Swervin Mervin. 3.00 My Skiway. 3.30 Valant Dash.	0 GEL DER MACONA 4 II Synam 9-1-1   B Storey
GOING. GCCC	13
12.55 GOATHLAND NOVICES HURDLE (5-Y-0: £1 305: 2m) (12 numers)	16 USA4 MELTORY BLIES 7 Tore 2-10-5 P Marky 17 O FELSONA 15 W Comp 5-10-0 A Doolar 4-1 Ingramate Box, 3-2 Section Marke, 5-1 Februa 2-1 Intercentives Sociate Floy, 10-1 Comment Pool Hildren Sheet, 11-1 offert
14    164    1912    14    15    15    16    16    17	3.00 DKCK BREWITT MEMORIAL CHALLENGE CUP (Handicap chase: \$2,553 3m; 116yd) (10) 1 38F- MOURTEBOR C15 (D.F.G.S.) > Houan 8-11-10
12 ARV 3FS-Str. WOLD DO SOF P Seamont 10-7 P A Fariel 94 Keyarta 3-1 Ma ors Law, 3-2 Seaguil Hollow, 5-1 Beartoles Way, 8-1 Auton Pawn, 13-1 Secure, 13-1 Real Of Tulkopi, 14-1 gibbes.	4 09-1 NY SKIMAY 8 (CD.F.G.S.) T Date-8, 3-11-9
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Mackie eyes Cheltenham SACRE D'Or is heading for Cheltenham next month after a convincing victory in the Silver Bell Handicap Chase at Leicester yesterday.

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The talented seven-year-old will now be stepped up in class. As trainer John Mackie explained: "He deserves the chance to go for a good prize and I will enter him in the A F Budge Gold Cup."

Sacre D'Or, facing only two rivals, hardly touched a twig under Colin Hawkins and came

#### Doubt over 'ringer' identity

used in the Flockton Grey

Eight years ago Ken Richardson was convicted of conspiring to substitute the threeyear-old Good Hand for the two-year-old Flockton Grey, ing said. who landed a gamble in the Knighton Auction Stakes at Leicester in 1982. George Patching, the breed- of appeal.

FRESH doubt has been cast er of Good Hand, has said on the identity of the "ringer" that, during the police investigation, he was shown photographs of a horse winning a race at Leicester and entering the winner's enclosure.

"I told them straightaway it was not Good Hand," Patch-

The home office is considering a petition calling for the case to be referred to the court





FRIDAY; Newbury, Bangor, South-

SATURDAY: Newbury, Newcastle. Warwick, Lingfield Park (AW).

(Flat meetings in bold)

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#### Saturday portrait: David Campese, by Gerald Davies

# Behold the grace and genius of rugby's last great illusionist

There exist those rare actors on stage whose indefinable quality compels attention and whose timest gesture diverts the eye. David Campese, the Australian wing, accomplishes as much on the rugby field.

Before the World Cup semi-final at Lansdowne Road, Dublin, last year, he even upstaged New Zealand's ritual haka. The intimidating black phalanx was met with a threatening stare from all the Australians except one. Campese would have none of it. He retired to a corner of the pitch and juggled rugby balls until the embarrassing pre-match rigmarole was over.

This was characteristic Campese. Like his playing style, his actions deviated from conventional response. Here was the loner in the team but not quite

During play, despite his animated talk and all that rages around him, he retains a still, small centre of calm. "I prefer to relax before I play. I want to do what I want to do on the field," he said. "To focus my attention before I go out, I read a poem my mother sent to me once. I want to be different." Wales, who meet Australia at Cardiff Arms Park today, know all about the difference Campese can make. When the sides met in the World Cup last year, Australia ran out 38-3 winners and Campese scored one of the six tries.

Different he is. In that semi-final in Dublin, New Zealand were destroyed by contrasting aspects of Campese's glorious talent. Two tenets of his greatness came into play. One is anticipation, learnt from Mark Ella, his former colleague, and the key to his success; the other is that the player in space is the one who gives the man with the ball the options.

Early in the game, he came away from his position on the right and took a long, diagonal line across a congested defence to score in the opposite corner. Later, he judged the bounce of the ball, beat a man, leaned one way and another, and, when caught, passed the ball over his left shoulder to

There was such wonder that the ground was momentarily, disbelievingly, silenced. Had we really seen what had just unfolded? Such sleights of hand and foot made Campese the player and the personality of the 1991 World Cup.

So, let us have no equivocation. Let us not be economical and use a weazle word such as "arguable". Campese, performance on performance, is the most exciting rugby player in the world. At 30, and living a pedlar's life bestowing his rugby gifts all year round in the northern and southern hemispheres, he is also rugby union's

most famous player.
It is unremarkable that, in a game that relies more than any other on the interdependence of players, one man should rise above the others. Some imposing figure will always emerge from the toil and the steam to make his mark.

It is only the ordinary player who is always able to play at his best.

The player of genius may falter but is able to soar higher than the rest

What is remarkable is that this status should be accorded to rugby's most solitary player, the wing, man on the fringes of the mêlée.

He is the most exposed player of all. Make a mistake and there is no redemption. Little more than a privileged spectator, his chances are rare. Campese has turned the old, traditional view of this position on its head. He has made the position, hitherto a mere footnote in the coaching manual, a focal point. Tactics are forged around

No other wing in the history of rugby has been afforded this luxury, so commonly distrusted are they in the open field.

In this respect. Campese has had the advantage of working under Bob Dwyer, the Australia coach, who hails from the same club as himself — Randwick in Sydney. Speed is essential for Campese's

position. John Kirwan, of New

Zealand, can run and swirl a bit

but depends on power. Rory Underwood, of England, has a sprinter's pace and grace. Patrice Lagisquet, of France, is less graceful but is equally fast and has more

At the risk of tainting a monumental career, let us say that Campese, at 5ft 10in and 13st 7lb, is not endowed with genuine runlike the wind speed. But then it is unnecessary. Instead, he succeeds because of the infinite variety of his other talents. His wits are his constant companion and, of these, he is blessed more than the others.

Because of the intricate nature of his style, the veering in and out, the Campese, like the great illusionist he is, gives only the impression of speed. Angles, not straight lines, are his preferred route; connivance the method, surprise the device.

He is foot-loose and fancy-free which is why he has not wanted to play rugby league. In league, he said, you are not allowed the luxury of risks or to do your own thing. The cynics suggest he can afford to turn down the lucre elsewhere for the lira in Milan,

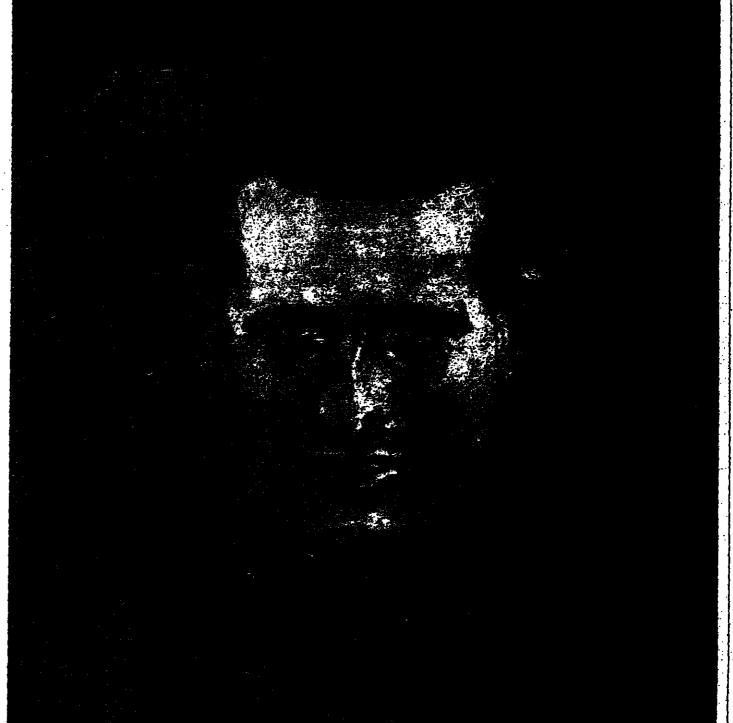
where he also plays.

"Playing rugby all the year round, the Italians have looked after me," he said. "I have a sports shop in Sydney but, when in Italy, I spend my time with a travel agency and local golf club. I have no other qualifications other than being a rugby player. I see nothing wrong with the way I devote my

There is a strong bond with Italy. His father, a window maker, moved to Australia from Padua after the second world war and settled in Queanbeyan in New South Wales. Campese was not interested in school and left at 16. At 17, he took naturally to rugby union. The freshness of the unfettered boy continues to infuse his

Apart from golf, he has not wanted to play other sports. Travel has been his education since 1982, when, at 19, he first played against New Zealand.

Campese delights the statistician and the artist. For those enam-



lated since he scored his first on his debut and his last three weeks ago against Ireland. With 71 international appearances, he is Austra-

lia's most capped player.

He would have caught the artist's eye had he never scored a try because contemplating his tries is only a part of the rich texture of Campese's rugby. He is a superb-kicker of the ball but his style is that of a swashbuckler. He takes risks. He makes mistakes. But as Neville Cardus once said.

it is only the ordinary player who is always able to play at his best. The player of genius may falter but is still able to soar higher than the

Campese leads a quiet life. He loves rugby's camaraderie but in a fraternity of renowned beer-swillers and vast appetites, he rarely drinks alcohol, rarely eats red meat. Playing rugby and preparing for it, he says, is his life. Girlfriends and fiancees have come and gone because they have not come to terms with his

Campese admits that a sporting life is a short me and what must be done must be done now. There is, as every consistman knows, a selfish regard for fulfilment marked by the tyranny of time.

Sportsmen are both tough and sensitive. Tough to the demands made of them by their calling sensitive that realisation is always a desperate step away. Trumph and disaster are nodding acquaintances. Under the nagging pressure he is serious but generous; never a sign of any conduct unbecoming to the game.

And he so obviously enjoys himself. More so than with any other player, thought and action are in barmons Campese of all players, with his

devil-may-care, go-as-you-please independence, revives romantic longings of an age just past. And of the player every father, even the hooker, might wish his son to be

#### **YACHTING**

#### Golding returns to race

FROM BARRY PICKTHALL in buenos aires

MIKE Golding and his crew on Group 4 Securitas rejoined the British Steel Challenge round-the-world race early yesterday, less than 48 hours after breaking their forestay during the beat south from Rio de Janeiro to Cape Horn. The rapid turnaround was largely due to their sponsor.

who not only provided a personal courier for the spare parts to be flown from England but threw in a Lear jet after crew members Nick Joubert and John Carter, who had taken their damaged sail to São Paulo for repair, missed the commercial flight back to Florianopolis, where the yacht put in to port.

The diversion has cost the team more than 250 miles on Nuclear Electric, which has led the ten-strong fleet of identical 67ft yachts for much of the past week. However, Group 4 was speeding south at 11 knots yesterday, 2.5 knots faster than their ninthplaced rivals on Commercial Union and it may not be long before Mike Golding, the Group 4 skipper, and his crew have made up the 130 miles

John Chittenden and his team on Nuclear Electric, who have taken an extreme easterly course down the South American coast, continued to enjoy the most favourable breeze yesterday.

The next hurdle for the crews as they close on the Plate Estuary over the weekend is the threat of ice. At least 12 icebergs up to 100 feet high have been spotted north of the Falkland Islands, and the waters are littered with "growlers", chunks of ice that have broken off a giant iceberg, once the size of the Isle of Wight, which has grounded on the Argentine

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LEADING POSITIONS (at 15.00 GMT yesterday, with miles to Hobert): 1, Nuclear Electric (J. Chiterdan), 6,861 miles: 2, Rhone-Poulenc (P. Phalips), 6,925, 3, Hobrau Lager (P. Gossl, 6,925, 4, Interspray (P. Jeffes), 8,951; 5, Coopers & Lybrand (V. Cherry), 6,991; 6, Heath Insured (A. Donnovan), 6,990; 7, Better Seed II (P. Tudor), 8,985; 8, Prote of Tessaide (I. Maccillivray), 6,987; 9, Commercial Union (R. Mammestinor), 7,009; 10, Group 4 Secuntas (M. Golding), 7,138.

Results compiled by British Telecom

#### MOTOR RALLYING: BRITISH RACE HEADING FOR THRILLING CHAMPIONSHIP FINALE

# Auriol seeks to rally his world title cause

By STEPHEN SLATER

THE Lombard RAC Rally, which starts from Chester tomorrow, marks the nineteenth and final year of the finance company's sponsorship of the event, yet at no time in its involvement has the race been as closely contested and as crucial to the world championship as this one.

Ten drivers, in four different types of car, have a chance of winning the race, which will also decide which of three drivers will win the world championship. Juha Kank-kunen, the champion, and Didier Auriol, both driving Lancias, and Carlos Sainz, in a Toyota, will start the fourteenth and final round of the championship separated by just three points. After four days and 34 timed, flar-out special stages, it will be winner-takes-all for three of the finest drivers in the sport

Auriol. 35, is the most likely winner. Having won a record six world championship railies this season, the Frenchman was on target to take the title a month ago, but in the last two rallies his luck ran out. A sheared wheel forced him out of the San Remo raily in Italy and a power-steering failure hurled his Martini Lancia off the road in Spain. His lead was overtaken by both Kank-kunen, his team-mate, and Sainz. Next year he is joining Sainz in the Toyota team, but he needs one final victory, for

Lancia, to become champion. The 1992 event could almost be regarded as a triumph of Sainz's driving skill over his machinery as he overcame a host of development problems with the new Toyota Celica



Coupe to snatch the championship lead. The car features a complex suspension system, which proved difficult to fine tune and a handful to drive, as accidents to Sainz's teammates. Markku Alen and Armin Schwarz proved. Sainz, however, survived to

win the 2,700-mile Safari rally in Kenya, then, two weeks ago in Spain, the Toyota team's development work paid off and the car came good. The 30-year-old Spaniard dominated his home event to take victory and the championship lead, but he knows the mixture of jubilation and disappointment the RAC Rally can offer. In 1990, Sainz clinched the title by winning the rally after

Kankkunen crashed on the

final day. Last year, it was the

Spaniard who was forced to limp through the final stages with an overheating engine as Kankkunen headed to victory and the championship crown, becoming the only driver to win the world title three times. This year the Finn will carry the No. 1 on his Lancia as champion, but as his accident on black ice in 1990 proved, it can have its pitfalls. "It's always good to start as No. I because I get a good clear run

with nobody in front of me,"

Kankkunen, 33, said. "But the disadvantage is that there are

nobody's facts to follow, so no

early warnings of trouble." In addition to the battle for the championship, there is a strong chance of a first British winner of the rally since Roger Clark took victory in 1976. Colin McRae, from Lanark, has dominated the British open championship for the second successive year in his Subaru Legacy, after last year taking the event by storm before crashing. Since then McRae, 23, has proved a match for his illustrious Subaru team-mate, Ari Vatanen,

the Swedish rally. McRae's determination to finish was proved on the 1.000 Lakes rally in Finland. when he claimed sixth place. despite his car somersaniting off the road twice and rolling 13 times in high-speed accidents. Victory on this rally will gain him a special one-off £100.000 sponsors award. A total of 176 cars will leave

and finished a fine second in



Chester at 6.45am tomorrow for an initial 296-mile loop through the spectator stages in the Midlands, which should attract an audience of one million. On Monday, the cars will again leave Chester, this time heading west for ten special stages in the Welsh forests. On Tuesday, competi-tors head north through the Lake District and into the Keilder Forest, completing nine special stages before their overnight halt in Carlisle. On the final day competitors will tackle six special stages in southern Scotland before heading back to Chester and

The DMISTL.
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Juha Kankkunen (Fin) Car: Lancia Delta integrale. Number: 1. Age: 33.
The only driver to have won three world championships, Kankleunen has one victory and seven second places in world championship relies during 1992, which has kept him in the title race and won the many feduras; world championship relies during 1992. won the manufacturers' world champ-ionship for Lancia.

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Carlos Salara (Sp)
Car. Toyota Calica: Turbo 4MD.

Number: 2. Age: 29.
For the fourth successive year, Salaz is poised to steel the headlines on the Lombard PAC Pally in his Toyota: For the last two years the RAC has seen him in a duel for the world site with Kankharten — he won to become champion in 1990 but lost his Rite last year after engine nouble — and it could be a repeat this year.

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Number: 3. Age: 35.

Car: Ford Seria Cosworm 444. Number: 3. Age: 35. Claimed the world championship title for Lancis in 1988 and 1989 then moved to Ford at the start of 1992, Calm and methodical, Blasio has speatneaded Ford's improving championship form in Siema Cosworth's finel year.

Colin McRae (GB)
Cer: Subsitu Legacy 44/D. Number: 4.
Age: 24.
The Scot is at the venguend of a group of young British drivers in world relying. The son of five-times British champlon, Jimmy, since joining the Banbury-based Subsity learn, Colin has already won the title twice himself. Led last year before crashing out in Kelder Forest.

Didier Auriol (Fr) Car: Lancis Delta Integrale, Number: 6. Age: 34. Age: 34.
A speciacies citive lest year dispelled any thoughts that Autor's speed was restricted to the dry, dusty tracks of southern Europe. This year he has a record-breaking six whos. However, a lost wheel and an escalent is the less two railies means the must win the RAC to become champion.

Malcolm Wison (GB).

Cer: Ford Siens: Gosworth 4x4.

Number: 8. Age: 38.

Wison will lest on home ground in his factory-prepared Ford Sierra Cosworth; having spent most of the past year in the Welsh and Lakeland lorests developing the new Ford Escort Cosworth.

**RUGBY UNION** 

#### Scots put the district. structure on trial

AMID a continuing debate about what is the best structure for Scottish rugby, the McEwan's inter-district championship begins today with North and Midlands facing the South at Mayfield and Edinburgh and Glasgow meeting at Goldenacre (Alan Letimer writed

One of the Scottish Rugby Union's problems this season has been how to satisfy the personal as well as the club aspirations of the exiles, particularly at London Scottish, who will have to play four games in a ten-day period of rushed rugby to avoid a club clash with district commitments. Critics of the SRU's policy

may also ask why Scotland chose to send a sevens squad to Dubai this week. The desert tournament has taken out of the district championship several leading players and three London Scots.

South will be affected by the absence of Gregor Townsend, Ian Corcoran, Adam Roxburgh, who broke his wrist, and Carl Hogg. That will give several other players the opportunity to state their case for promotion, among them John Amos, the Gala flanker, and Scott Nichol, the Selkirk centre. Also under scrutiny will be Stephen Ferguson, the Peebles tight-head.

Behind the scrum, Gary Armstrong and Craig Chal-Armstrong will be unable to match himself against Andy Nicol, the present Scotland scrum, who has been forced to withdraw because of a hamstring injury. North have also lost Rob Wainwright, the Scotland No. 8.

Edinburgh will do well to match the bulky Glasgow pack Graham Drummond has pulled out of the Edinburgh side and is replaced by John Robertson, the Heriot's FP flanker. In the backs, Edinburgh, without Scott Hastings, give district hon-ours to John Kerr, who is playing third division rugby with Haddington. He will be on trial at district level. District rugby, too, will be in the dock.

RUGBY LEAGUE

#### Wigan wary of danger from Salford bogy men

IF WIGAN could be said to Steve Blakeley, who was kept have a bogy side, Salford come nearest to the description (Christopher Irvine writes). They upset the champions twice in three weeks last season, which included Wig-an's last away league defeat 12

months ago. On form, tomorrow's meeting at the Willows between the leaders of the Stones Bitter championship and the sixthplaced side should be a for-mality. Salford, however, have the measure of Wigan on bome territory, where they

have won eight of 14 encounters in the past 20 years. Their capacity to surprise is well founded. In two early-season defeats of Castleford. Salford displayed the resilience and attacking skills em-

bodied as a player by Kevin

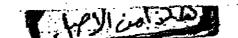
Tamati, their New Zealand

under wraps for three years at Wigan, will make a first appearance at stand-off half against his old team. Phil Coussons, 19. makes

his debut on the wing after scoring 20 tries in ten reserve matches. Andy Platt returns to the Wigan pack after missing three games with cracked ribs. Bradford Northern's comprehensive 35-18 dismissal of

St Helens three weeks ago was their finest for several years. Neither team can afford a slipup in the return match at Odsal; both sides are adrift of Wigan on points difference.

Leeds, seeking a first away league win, will be without their injured full back, Alan Tait, and second row forward. Gary Mercer, at bottomplaced Leight, who have Jason Donobue back at stand-off after seven games.



Hounslow

may be

undone by

occasion

BY SYDNEY FRISKIN

AFTER losing 4-1 in the cup last week to Hounslow. Old

Loughtonians have a chance

to turn the tables on the Pizza

Express national league lead-

ers at home tomorrow, when

the club's new regional hockey

Old Loughtonians can rise

to the occasion provided Nick

Thompson recovers his touch.

He has scored nine goals and

can tune up in today's home

Hounslow will be without

Hazlitt, who damaged a

Stourport could take over the leadership of the first

division this weekend, but they

have difficult opponents in Teddington today and East

Grinstead tomorrow. More

Stourport squad with the re-

turn of Owen Jones from the

Welsh Under-21 team and the

inclusion of Craig Parnham

Jon Royce will be on the bench for Teddington as coach. Riley and Moore are

from Bridgnorth.

thumb in last week's match.

centre will be opened.

match against Neston.

Ferguson thwarted in hunt for striker

# Wednesday angry as United make new bid for Hirst

MANCHESTER United's Hirst to honour the extended pursuit of David Hirst, the and improved contract that he England forward, was almost recently signed. "David has certainly ended yesterday after Sheffield Wednesday reacted angrily to an official bid of £3.5 million sent by fax by Alex Ferguson, the United manager, to Trevor Francis, his Wednesday counterpart Ferguson had to wait just 12 minutes when a fax was received at Old Trafford stress-

ing that, under no circumstances, would the player be allowed to leave Hillsborough. "To be honest, we are all very annoyed about it." Francis said. "We have made it clear on several occasions that David Hirst is not for sale at any price vet Manchester United do not seem to want to accept that simple fact.

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We received an offer of £3.5m in writing but I did not even refer it to my chairman because he is not for sale and I have a mandate to say just that. This offer has come through despite the fact that I have told Alex Ferguson, and our chairman has told their chairman, that he is not for

made it clear in the past few weeks that he is very happy here at Sheffield Wednesday." he said. "Only recently, he has signed a new deal but this sort of thing can have an unsettling effect on a footballer. Fortunately, he is a levelheaded sort of a person. From what I know of him all he wants to do is to continue scoring goals for Sheffield Wednesday and to get back his place in the England

The United board of directors sanctioned the bid yesterday morning shortly before the club's annual meeting. Ferguson has been under increasing pressure to sign a goalscorer of proven ability to help sustain the United challenge for a first League champ-ionship since 1967. United have not scored in their past four matches.

The supporters' frustration boiled over at the annual meeting when they demanded One shareholder said: "These Francis said he now expects are hard times and people

#### Oldham sign Brennan

OLDHAM Athletic yesterday completed the signing of Mark Brennan, a midfield player, from Manchester City for £200,000, but it was too late to play in today's Premier League fixture at Manchester United (Louise Taylor writes). Brennan, 27 and Lancashire-born, previously played for Ipswich Town and Middiesbrough, but has hitherto failed to fulfil his considerable potential, instead displaying a tendency to become involved in off-the-field scrapes.

Middlesbrough have transfer-listed Bernie Slaven, their Republic of Ireland forward. Slaven, 32, is available for £100,000. Steve Claridge, the returned to Cambridge United for £200,000. Luton have replaced him with Ian Benjamin, bought from Southend United. Gillingham have taken Paul Stephenson, the Millwall winger, on loan.
The Football - Association

yesterday announced that 2,000 seats in Wembley's Olympic Gallery will be set aside for corporate hospitality packages at this season's FA Cup final. The finalists will be offered first option when the

packages go on sale. It was also announced that the managers of the Cup finalists will be invited to follow their players up the Royal Box steps to receive a

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cannot afford to come i additional matches. Many of attractive, and one must ask why pay £15 to watch rubbish at Old Trafford when you can pay Ell to watch the same rubbish at Maine Road. I believe there is a case for reducing prices. The Premier League is a shambles ... just the old first division under a

Sir Roland Smith, chairman of the Manchester United plc board, said: "There will be no further increases and the pricing situation will be reviewed again at the end of the season. There is already a ceiling and the review may well come below the present level." Sir Roland defended the salary of the chief execu tive, Martin Edwards, which is shown in the halance sheet as £165,000. It was, he said, lower than the figures paid by Tottenham and Leeds.

The departure from Old Trafford of Neil Webb was confirmed yesterday when the former England midfield player completed his £800,000 return to Nottingham Forest. Webb, 29, signed too late to appear for Forest in a bottom-of-the table match at Crystal Palace today.
Webb, who is still troubled

by a slight knee injury, said: Forest are far too good a side to go down and I'm hoping that I can help build some confidence and stick a few results together that will get us away from the bottom." Webb, who left Forest for United for £1.5 million three years ago, added: "People are asking me whether I made the right move at the time, but if I had not snapped my Achilles

tendon after a few games it all might have been different." Ron Fenton, the Forest assistant-manager, said: "In his previous spell with us Neil had an almost telepathic understanding with Nigel Clough, and it will be interesting to see how they pick up the pieces



Eyes on the title: Snow practises for the British Open at Queen's Club vesterday

#### Snow blows hot for the British Open

By SALLY JONES

JULIAN Snow, of Great Britain, the world's leading amateur and the new French Open champion, is the favourite to win the George Wimpey British Open, which starts at Queen's club, London, today, despite being the No. 2 seed behind the holder, Lachlan Deuchar, of Australia, the world No. 1.

provide some fascinating clashes, as the world champi on, Wayne Davies, is also playing. Davies missed more than a year because of injury but returned to top-class competition at the French Open last month. He is drawn to meet Snow in a semi-final, while the talented young Australian, Robert Fahey, the No. 4 seed, poses

a threat to the out-of-touch Deuchar in the other half. Davies, 36, is eager for

match practice in the run-up to his world title defence in March, and Deuchar and Snow each have a point to prove. Deuchar, who has been named as the professional at the Harbour Club in Fulham, will try to prove that he has regained his confidence and hunger for success. The dedicated Snow, unbeatthe best tennis of his career. is desperate to defeat the only two players still beating him consistently.

Snow also faces a tough task in his projected quarterfinal against the fast-improving Mark Devine, the Leamington professional, who surprisingly knocked out Deuchar in the French Open.

plentiful variations of flight.

The Indians were forced to

leave out Tendulkar, who has

# 5-1 in the cup last week.

#### Amre rescues Indians with hundred

CRICKET

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN BLOEMFONTEIN

CARELESS strokes cost the Indians wickets yesterday when they began a four-day match with a South African Invitation XI here and reached 242 for eight wickets by the close. Praveen Amre followed his century in the first Test match with another facesaving hundred but otherwise the touring team's form must be causing them concern.

Sydney: Mark Waugh scored

a majestic, unbeaten 121 for

New South Wales against the

West Indians here yesterday

and probably saved his place

in the Australian side for the

Test series starting in Brisbane

next week. Waugh faced exclu-

sion after four successive Test

match ducks during Austra-lia's recent tour of Sri Lanka.

Waugh struck nine bound-

aries during four-and-a-half

hours in the middle on the first

day of a four-day match. He

shared a record third-wicket

stand of 132 with Mark

Taylor, the New South Wales

BASKETBALL

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BOXING

TOKYO: World Boxing Association junior-lightweight championship (12 mds): Genaro Hamandez (US, holder) bi Yuji Watanabe (Japan), rsc 6th md.

CRICKET

SHEFFIELD SHIELD: First day rol four: Adeleide: South Australia 194-5 (S Bishop 50) v Tasmania Melbourne; Queensland 208-6 4A Border 64 not out; M Hayden 51) v Victoria.

victoria.

CASTLE CUP: First day (of four) Cape
Town: Western Province v Natal; no play.
nain. Port Blasbeth: Eastern Province 274-4
(M Vertier 112) v Transvaal Verwoerdburg:
Border 317 (P Kasten 92), Northern
Transvaal 51-3

GHENT, Belgium: Strotey race: Leading positions (after linee rights): 1. U Frauler (Swez) and P Prefers (Holf), 243pts 2, E De Wilde (Bell and J Veggeby (Den), 237 3. 8 Re and K Betschart (Swez), at 1 lap, 114. 8, A Doyle (G8) and M McCarthy (US), 4. 71.

FOOTBALL

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Egypt 1, Kuwal 1 (in Caro).

FRENCH LEAGUE: Paris Sant-Germen 2. Aurene 0 Leading positions: 1. Paris Sant-German, played 15, 22pts, 2, Naries, -14, 21, 3, Aurene, 15, 19

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First divi-sion: Stoke 1, Notice County 2

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Independent Schools Cup: Quarter-finals: Bradfield 1 Charterhouse 2; Highgate 0, Shrowsbury 3

OTHER MATCH: AS Monaco 1, United States 0 (in Monte Carlo).

Several batsmen, including

captain, who scored 101.

over, surprised by Snell's pace. When Jadeja and Raman were caught at second slip and by the wicketkeeper, both playing loosely outside the off stump, the Indians were 21

The ground was flooded on Wednesday, but Shastri chose to bat first. As a little moisture was brought to the surface by hot sunshine, Snell, Matthews Shastri is out of touch and and van Zyl all moved the ball

Mark Waugh secures Test place

Waugh's brother, Steve, were

strong contenders to take over

349 for four by the close

against a West Indian attack

approaching full strength, with Ambrose backed by Pat-

terson and Walsh. Ambrose

was close to full pace in the

early part of the day but did

not take the field for the final

session after slightly straining

his right ankle when fielding.

spell from Ambrose. He was

struck painfully once and gave a chance on 14. He was run

out just after tea, when slow to

Taylor survived a torrid first

New South Wales reached

Waugh's Test place.

Amre and Manjrekar then added a careful 113 in 41 overs. Manjrekar moved forward against MacHelm, a left-arm spinner, swung across the line and was stumped. In the same over. MacHelm had Prabhakar held at slip.

MacHelm. 20. a Cape Coloured, playing only his second first-class match, created a good impression during a lengthy spell. He did not turn

Steve Waugh made a breezy

22 from as many deliveries

before he tried to flick a short

ball from Walsh to fine leg but

was caught, via his thigh pad,

at short backward square.

NEW SOUTH WALES: Firs Innings
S M Small c Lara b Patterson
M A Taylor run out
S R Waugh of Adems b Vision
M E Waugh not out
M G Bevan o Richardson 5 Patterson
G R J Matthews not out
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FALL OF WICKETS 145, 249 3-221 4-

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Hotsworth Min Whoney to bat SCALLING Amprose 123-313 Panerson 161-172-2 Wash 17-2-50-1 Cummins 14-0-63-0, Hooper 22-2-78-0, Adams 9-0-40-0 WEST INDIANS, P. / Simmons 9-0-10-0 WEST INDIANS, P. / Simmons 9-0-10-0 Cummins, J.C. Adams, 10 Wileris C.E.L. Ambrose, B.F. Patierson, C.A. Wash,

a badly strained ankle, but Amre again showed the determination and class that marked his batting in the Test match at Durban. Yadav rode his luck in a stand of 83 in 25 overs until he hit a long hop to mid-on.

Amre drove loosely against Kuiper and was caught hehind after four-and-a-quarter hours. He hit 15 fours, mostly through the covers.

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INDIANS: First Innings
R J Shassh Ibw b Shell
A Jadeja C Kupper b van ZJ
V Raman c Badat b Shell
S V Mangelar st Badat b MacHelm
R Armer C Badat b Muper
M Prabhalar c Matthews b MacHelm
IV Yisdav C Rushmere b Davids
C Sharma not out
S L V Raju nox out
Extras (b 8. nb 11. w 1)
Total 88 witten

Total (8 wids) ...... J Smath did not bat
FALL OF WACKETS 1-4, 2-17, 3-21, 4-134,
5-134, 6-217, 7-223, 8-229.
BOWLING Sneil 23-4-53-3: Marthews 17-0-0-0, van 24 17-5-24-1, kupper 15-3-41-1,
Matchelm 18-2-46-2, Davids 3-1-5-1
SOUTH AFRICAN INNITATION XI: "C.
Matthews. J. Marche, M. Yachad, M. W.
Pushmere, A. P. Kupper L. Wilkinson, F.
Davids M. Bachar, C. J.P. G. van Zyl, R.P. Sneil,
D. Machlelm.

□ Colombo: New Zealand will play only two Test matches in the revised itinerary for their tour of Sri Lanka. There will still be three one-day

internationals. (Agencies)

the mood to advance

iod. Ipswich and Toby Mullins, their new coach, are looking to the match against Chelmsford today to reinforce their position at the top of the

them some favours this week end, with their main rivals plaving each other Hightown face Sutton Coldfield and Leicester take on Slough. But if the rest of the league thinks Ipswich have peaked. Mullins has other ideas: "It may not be for a game or two yet before we hit

One of the keys to their form is the recent return of Tracey Fry. Her long spell away from the game to have a baby left Ipswich with few options in midfield

start of the season, Mullins was able to look at their problems with a fresh eye and make the necessary changes, including a new role for Kirsten Spencer. Used to playing at left defence, she has been switched to the right and is gradually getting used to her new job, coming forward and

# Ipswich in

BY ALLY RAMSAY AFTER a long settling-in per-

The fixture list has done

attacking more.

# Stewart gets task to lead

critic of attitudes towards road running and cross country in Britain, has been hired by the British Athletic Federation to try to improve the harrier's lot. Stewart, the last British man to win the world cross-country title, 17 years ago, has been put in charge of promoting two divisions of the sport which go barely noticed next

to the giant of track and field. "There are two reasons for his appointment." Tony Ward, the BAF spokesman, said yesterday. "The federation is track and field orientated and all major televised road running and cross country events are staged by independent promoters - the Durham cross country, the Great North Run, the London Marathon, the Princes Street Mile. It is time the federation moved

and cross-country promotion." Officially, Stewart has been appointed as the BAF's assistant promotions officer to Andy Norman but, effectively, he will be in charge of doing in trying to dig them out.

IAN Stewart, a vehement for road and country what Norman has done for track and field - giving it status. The job is new and among

Stewart, who now joins his ing influence at a high organisational level, once secured the remarkable double of world cross country and European indoor 3,000 metres titles on successive weekends.

cross-country fortunes at their nadir, he said: "We don't seem to be doing anything about it. There is no system or strucheads in the sand." Stewart. s into the

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bartling against injury but hope to be fit. Teddington also visit Bromley tomorrow. East Grinstead will take the field without the injured Ravi Virdi in midfield, but Luckes, their goalkeeper, has recov-

ered from an elbow injury. Southgate will visit Canterbury without Duthie, whose finger injury has not healed.

Indian Gymkhana visit Harleston Magpies tomor-row. Gymkhana's chances of returning to the first division have improved now that Jude Felix and Dhanraj Pillay, their two Olympic players from India, have recovered their form. Felix scored three goals when they beat Chelmsford

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women's national league.

top gear."

Coming to the club at the

#### **ATHLETICS**

# harriers to better ways

By David Powell, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

into the area of road racing

Stewart's first tasks will be to develop events attractive to sponsors and television. Britain's standing in cross country has declined and something needs to be done to encourage the best British athletes to give it greater attention. early 1970s contemporaries. Dave Bedford. Brendan Foster and Alan Pascoe, in carry-

Two years ago, with British

ture. We are burying our who begins work on December 1, will not spare the shovel

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Coventry v Manchester City Quinn, signed on loan from Newcastle, leads the attack as Coverity aim to win for the list time in eight attempts. Ogrizovic could miss only his second game in goal for eight years. If he fails to recover from a neck injury Johnathan Gould, the manager's son, will keep goal. City, who have won three leat three league games, scoring eight goals and conceding one, are unchanged for the fifth successive time. City had a shaky start to the season but me inin successive time. City had a shaky start to the season but are now benefiting from Britsan's most expensive defence — Curle and Phelan cost £2.5 million apiece. They are unbeaten in the league since September.

C Palace v Nottm Forest Will these league is meeting in Will these teams be meeting in the first division next season? Both bedy need points. Salako aggravated a knee injury during training with the England squad earlier this week and is out of the Palace side. Coleman, Mortimer or Ndah. 17 and an England youth international, will inslice him up international, will replace him up front. In detence, Sinnott is suspended, so Humphrey is recalled. With only Forest standing between Palace and the foot of the lable. Steve Coppell, their manager, yesterday said he was experiencing the "most intense pressure" of his eight years at Selhurst Park. Forest yesterday completed the £800,000 signing of Neil Webb from Manchester United but he is ruled out by a knee injury Keane, being watcher. front. In defence, Sinnott is

knee injury Keane, being watched by Seville, plays in his preferred midfield role. **Everton v Chelsea** Everton have failed to score more than one goal in a league game since September and the pressure is mounting on Howard Kendall, their manager He pressure is mounting on Howard Kendall, their manager. He expects Watson to be fit to play in delence but replaces Ebbrell (groin injury) with Hinchliffe in the midfield. Chelsee have suffered only one deleat in their last six games. They are unchanged for this dress rehearsal of next month's

Coca-Cola Cup fourth-round tie. has season's "Wahous a with they have conceded 16 goals, and shaken by unscheduled cupdefects to Rangers and Watford, Leeds need to return to winning ways. Howard Willanson, their ways. Howard visitation, in the last few days walking the North Yorkshire moors and pondering his problems. Rocastle, who joined Leeds from Arsenal for £2 million. teleas from Arsena for 22 million this summer but has yet to start a league match, is once again on the bench, Batty and Rocastle are expected to be fit to return for Leads. Arsenal, who are looking to extend their unbeaten run to 11 games, remain unatiened. Manchester United y Oldham United have falled to win in their

United have tailed to win in their last 12 league and cup games and have not scored for the last tour, but they will be heartened by Oldham's dire detensive record. Ince and Ferguson are both doubtful after sustaining injuries en midweek international duties. Butt and Gilespie, products of the youth team, are on stand-by for first-team debuts. Gerrard, an untried goekeeper, and Tolson, 19, a toward, are members of a 14-man Oldham party. The Stretford

Middlesbrough v Wimbledon
Vinnie Jones plays his first match
for Wimbledon after being fined
\$20,000 by the FA for his
involvement in a video glorifying
violence, and can expect a hard
sine from the Holgate End today.
Aversone Park's non-life end ime from the Holgala End today. Ayresome Park's popular end are well aware that Middlesbrough have not won in their last ten games but must cope without kernsphan and Wright today. Staven, who Middlesbrough Ined to sall to Sunderland lest week will want to prove he can still undo Premier League defences. Fashariu's back injury rules him out jorthe next month so Dobbs will partner Holdsworth in the

Norwich v Sheffield United

The Premier League leaders retain the side which won at Oldham two weeks ago, but there is a place for Megson, after two months out injured, on the bench.
Kamara, signed on loan from Luton, and the period of the premier of the period of the could make a first appearance for United. Rumours persist that Dave Bassett, the Sheffleld United manager, is close to Sheffield Wed v Ipswich

Whitton, the ipswich midfield player, is determined to be passed in to face his former club. Whitton has shed a stone since having three ek but trusts that an emergency diet of honey, sugar and bananas will enable him to pass a late fitness test. Palmer, of tage intress test. Parmer, or Wednesday, injured a hamstring on England duty in midweek and is very doubtful. Wednesday hope to stretch their unbeaten run to six

Tottenham v Aston Villa Tottenham v Aston Villa
The dueling between Ruddock
and Mabbutt, the Tottenham central
defenders, and Saunders and
Atkinson, the Villa stnkers, should
prove intriguing. Villa seek to
extend their unbeaten run to 13
games. Providing Small passes
a fitness test on his knee he will
continue at full back, allowing
Stauriton to continue in midfield.
Tottenham field the side which
won at Blackburn two weeks ago.

Tomorrow.

Tomorrow

Southampton v Blackburn
Alan Shearer returns to The Defi
in a Blackburn shirt for the first time
since his \$2.6 million move to
Rovers. Southampton supporters
have not forgiven lan Branfoot,
their manager, for setting Shearer
and he can expect abuse from
the terraces. Groves returns to the
Southampton attack and Dison
to the bench, where there could also
be a seal for Gray.

If Comprised by Louise Taylor.

Compiled by Louise Taylor

#### Palace pair renew partnership

A PARTNERSHIP formed in early teenage years has been blossoming anew over the past six weeks at Waterlooville. Since Billy Gilbert and Vince Hilaire took over, the Hampshire club has won five out of eight matches and moved towards a secure position in the Beazer Homes League

premier division. It was Hilaire who rang his former Crystal Palace and Portsmouth team-mate to ask whether he would join him in applying. Peter Faulkner, 72. the club chairman for 40 years, needed little persuasion. We were out of the FA Cup and the FA Trophy and I felt we had to make a change, so I fired Ernie Bradley, who had been with us for a number of years, and placed an ad in a

Vince phoned and showed an interest. I'm extremely pleased because their attitude is first class. They brought a new spirit to the place."

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL BY WALTER GAMMIE

The new management team has made no changes to the side. Gilbert said: "The boys were stagnating a little with the same manager there for so long. I think we've brought in

a lot of new ideas." Gilbert had his first experience of coaching with Havant Town. He left when he signed a contract with a club in Israel. but the move fell through and he ended the season helping Sieve Kember, another Palace team-mate, at Whyteleafe. Hilaire had drifted out of the game after having been with Alan Ball at Exeter last season.

Leading the way for Water-

"Before the ad came out, looville has been Dave Boyce, a striker who has rediscovered his goal touch, scoring twice in a 3-1 win at Worcester City on Saturday and twice more in a 3-2 defeat by Crawley Town in the Bardays Commercial Services Cup on Tuesday.

Boyce had been on the fringe of the Crystal Palace team, but Gilbert failed to recognise him. "I still can't put a face to him," he said.

Gilbert has been playing regularly -- "I run around a bit in midfield and get a few tackles in" - and Hilaire made his first full appearance against Crawley, in what was only Waterlooville's second defeat since Hilaire and Gilbert

took over.
"We want to bring stability to the club and get a top ten finish," Gilbert said.

FOR THE RECORD

respond to Waugh's call.

SYDNEY: Australian PGA chempionship. Leaders after two rounds (Australia unless stated), 134: PMcWharney, 57, 67, C Parry 57, 67, 135: I Baker-Finch, 67, 68, 136, M Ferguson, 57, 69, J Morse (US), 56, 70, 137: B Hughes, 70, 67, B Ogle, 70, 67, 57, J Woodsind, 67, 70, 138; A Materney, 69, 69, J Wagner, 70, 69; D Myove (Can, 69, 69, P Fowler, 70, 69; M Allen, 69, 69, P Fowler, 70, 69; M Allen, 69, 69, P Fowler, 70, 69; M Allen, 69, 70, British scores: 141: G Evans, 71, 70, M Mackeruse, 70, 71, Breath non-qualifiers: 143: R Boxal, 73, 70, 146; M Gares, 73, 72, 146; J Spence, 71, 75
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HOCKEY

SCHOOLS MATCH: RGS. High Wycombe 4, Sir William Borlese's, Marlow 1 DE WARFU NATIONAL LEAGUE: Derihard Oracory bit Moreson Morrell, 3-0 (J) Howell bit K Sheldon, 6-2, 6-1; P Tabley bit M Dean, 6-1, 6-0. M Eadlo bil S Brockenshew, 6-2, 8-5).

**RUGBY FIVES** CLUB MATCH, Old Blundellians of RFA (ننا), 113-72

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE (NHL): Boston 5, New rick Islanders 2 Winnings 5, Detroi 3: Hantond 4, Chava Senators 2, Philadelphia Flyers 7, New York Rangers 3 Quebes, Practiques 4, Michines Canadiens 3, Minnesota 4, Tampa Ba; 1, Calgary Flames 4, Vandouser Canutics 1, Lie Angeles Rings 4, Chicago 1, Teronic 2, San Jose 0 **RUGBY LEAGUE** 

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GRACE OF THE LAST GREAT **ILLUSIONIST** 

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Branfoot looks to ease pressure

# Shearer cuts fine figure on return to Southampton

By LOUISE TAYLOR

ALAN Shearer's return to The Dell tomorrow will provide Southampton's disaffected supporters with a view of the success money can buy in the Premier League. Shearer. whose goals have propelled Blackburn Rovers into contention for the championship returns to the club which sold him for the princely sum of £3.6 million in the summer.

While Shearer has gone from strength to strength, his goal for England against Turkey in midweek coming on top of 16 he has scored for Blackburn this season. Southampton have had to balance financial viability with the struggle to avoid becoming one of the Premier League's

drop-outs.
With Blackburn third in the table and Southampton fourth from bottom. Shearer's sale is regarded as a regrettable piece of business by supporters at The Dell, where recent demonstrations have resulted in Ian Branfoot, the Southampton manager, requiring police escorts from the pitch.

Branfoot does not share their sentiments. "This club was in debt when I took over." he said yesterday. "Now it is solvent and there is no danger of Southampton going out of business. I have had to sell people of the calibre of Rod Wallace. Alan Shearer. Barry Horne and Neil Ruddock. It has left a great hole in my side - and I cannot say that the mood on the terraces does not disturb me because it does -but selling those players has brought financial stability."

As Branfoot appreciates.

THE eight countries that

reached the quarter-finals of

rugby union's 1991 World

Cup will be seeded direct to the

1995 tournament in South

Africa (David Hands writes).

But the decision, announced

yesterday in Bristol after the

interim meeting of the Inter-

national Rugby Football Board's (IRFB) executive

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borrowing money is expensive. "No business wants to be borrowing money, because the interest on loan repayments is so costly," he said. "If a club is £1 million in debt, it will be paying over £100,000 in interest on the loan. That is madness. I have no doubt whatsoever that we are doing the right thing here and I am confident we will stay up. But I would like to win tomorrow."

That will involve shackling Shearer. "It will not be easy because Alan is so strong, both physically and mentally. Branfoot said. "He is 22years-old going on 35. No one fails to respect Shearer, although he is not arrogant. A lot of forwards lose the respect of their team-mates when they go through a lean spell, but even when he was struggling to get goals, Alan never lost credibility, or popularity. He works so hard for a team. I became quite close to him last

Quarter-finalists rewarded

council, was made only on the

This means that Australia.

England. New Zealand. Scot-

land, Ireland, Western Sa-

moa, France and Canada win

an automatic place in the tournament, which will be

staged in May and June of 1995. With South Africa tak-

ing part as host nation, seven

EXHIBITION

Tourbillons

and a collection of rare

Swiss Horological Masterpieces

on view at

casting vote of the chairman.

Shearer, who has faitered of late after a prolific start at Ewood Park, still lives, in Southampton, where his wife, Lainya, has recently given birth to their first child. She, and her family, are Southampton supporters who will have divided loyalties

The hours spent on the motorway between training at Blackburn and being with his baby seemed to have taken a toll on Shearer's sharpness until his goal against Turkey at Wembley on Wednesday. But he has failed to score in Blackburn's lest four league. Blackburn's last four league matches, which have resulted in three draws and a defeat at home by Tottenham Hotspur.

That has cost Blackburn the top spot and Shearer said: "I am a marked man now. But Southampton are under a lot more pressure than me. I hope I can add to it because that is my job. But after the game I would love them to pick up as I have plenty of affection for the

stick from the supporters but that just puts pressure on the players' shoulders. The supporters may not think lan is the best man for the job but if they lay off him for a bit then he might get it right for them.

"It is not always his fault and I hope they give the team the right backing. I have no doubts they will get out of difficulties because there is a great team spirit at The Dell which got us out of trouble last

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places are left for the rest of the

Therefore Wales, who play

Australia, the world cham-

pions, in Cardiff today, must

chase one of three European

qualifying places alongside the likes of Italy. Romania and Spain. Two qualifying places are available for the Asian

Pacific zone and one each for

decision to play the tourna-ment in South Africa, regard-

The host union agreement

commercial advisers been ap-

pointed, but when Rugby World Cup (RWC) representa-

By then, the South African

Rugby Football Union should have appointed a marketing

manager and given evidence

of its development plans, to

help ensure support for the

tournament from all political

the Americas and Africa.

Capping the achievement: Courier, the world No. 1, in action in his victory in Frankfurt yesterday

# Courier plays his aces on time

FROM ANDREW LONGMORE, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT, IN FRANKFURT

JIM Courier kept alive his hopes of qualifying for the semi-finals of the ATP tennis championship with a 7-5, 6-2 victory over Michael Chang in the opening group match here last night.

After facing the two biggest servers on the tour, Richard

The IRFB will sustain its Krajicek twice and Goran Ivanisevic, in his last three matches, Courier, the world less of the alarms of the last No. 1. relished the chance to resume normal service on the baseline. Against Chang's has yet to be signed, nor have lesser weaponry, he was able to control the points as he does on clay, get his feet into position for passing strokes tives visit South Africa in January they will hope such vital details can be con-

and rely less on pure touch. For once, Courier had the big service and a tally of ten aces proved, not for the first time this week, the undoing of Chang, who has found that speed of foot and mind is not enough to combat the most powerful players in the world on an indoor carpet. A third successive defeat ended his outside chance of qual-

groups in the country. ification. Cardiff preview, page 31 Chang should really have

tucked away the first set. having had seven chances to break: four in the third game, three in the seventh. But, as in his previous two matches against Kraficek and Ivanisevic. Chang was confronted by a wall of aces. Courier produced five in the third game to stay in contention and took the set off his one break

point after 58 minutes. On the evidence of their previous six encounters, all of which have ended in straight sets - three to Courier, three to Chang - the match was effectively over and even the deadpan Chang was starting to vent his frustration at his inability to break. After netting a voiley on another break point in the second game of the second set, he swatted the

net in anger. One game later and he had been broken again, with two unforced errors. From 1-4 down, there was no return even for the indefatigable American, though Courier took five match points to complete the job in just under two hours. Before the calculators were brought out last night, the two definite qualifiers were Pete Sampras and Goran Ivanisevic, who, on their form through the week. are favourites to meet in the

Sampras, the champion. headed his group with three victories, over Becker, Edberg and Petr Korda, and had the benefit of a day off yesterday while others slogged it out for

the final two places. Since failing to qualify for the semi-finals in 1990, the vear he won the US Open in such spectacular style. Sampras has lost only once in the Festhalle, to Becker. The surface, described by Becker as "slow" and by Courier as "fast", is, according to the American, of "medium" speed. Either way, it seems to

suit his game well. "It is a court where you can stay back, but I think the serve and volleyer will beat the baseliner." Sampras said. "But I have always played very well in Germany." Though he has come to within touching distance of being world No. I this year, Sampras's immediate priority, apart from defending his ATP tour title, is to win a second grand slam tournament.

His best chance came in September when he reached the final of the US Open, only to find Edberg in inspired mood. Beating the Swede in the round-robin match earlier this week gave Sampras some compensation. "I definitely wanted to get that monkey off my back because the US Open loss was very disappointing. I still feel it today."

Sampras went straight back to his home in Florida after being badly beaten by Henri Leconte in the Paris Open. That was a smart decision. I just played some golf and got my batteries recharged. If I'd have stayed around the tournament I would have begun to feel sorry for myself."

RESULTS: Rod Laver group: J Courier (US) bt M Chang (US), 7-5, 6-2

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#### Tribunal trims Lamb's fine

BY ALAN LER

LLAN Lamb secured a sig nificant victory yesterday when, on becoming the first player for six years to take a disciplinary appeal to the Cricket Council, he succeeded in almost halving his punish ment for making public acco against the touring Pakistanic

A five-man tribunal at Lord's chaired by Judge Perrett QC clearly saw the ment in Lamb's argument that his Test and Count Cricket Board (TCCB) fine of E5.000, additional to a fine of £2,000 imposed by Northonly £1,000 imposed last month on Surrey for three admitted offences of ball-lampering. The iribunal reduced the fine to £4,000 and susnended half that amount for two years. By critting the award of costs player, from £1,000 to £500. the council effectively reduced Lamb's out-of-pocket expenses from £8,000 to £4,500.

The TCCB maintained that the cases involving Lamb and Surrey could not be compared but the tribunal's view was that Lamb had a reasonable sease of grievance over being punished so much more hervi y for alleging an offence than the county had been for committing it. It agreed that his blatant and undisputed breach of contract was a grave" case but took into ecount his previously unblemished record.

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#### Krabbe's sentence is upheld

KATRIN Krabbe, the world sprint champion, yesterday lost the first round of her light against a four-year suspension for illicit drug taking John Goodbody writes).

After a meeting of the German athletics federation (DLV), Ruediger Nickel, its anti-doping official, said: There is no reason to change our decision." He said that Krabbe and two other German athletes could make another appeal to the DLV's arbitration panel.

Krabbe, Grit Breuer and Manuela Derr admit taking cleabuterol in July. They say they were suffering from asth-ma, for which clembuterol is a licenced medication in

The DLV said that it wanted a more "flexible" stance on drug-taking. Instead of the automatic four-year ban of the International Amateur Athletic Federation for clenbuterol, it wanted the chance to assess the responsibility of the competitor.

It is debatable whether denbuterol was officially banned before July 31, when the International Olympic Committee medical commission confirmed its prohibition.

#### SIMON **BARNES** Sporting Diary

☐ I think it is high time we had some more sporting lim-ericks. After all, it is six years since I last held a limerick comeptiton, so break out the rhyming dictionaries, get those pencils sharpened and send me the slickest limericks you can invent. I will reward

the finest of these with a bottle of the kind of port the angels drink on their teabreaks: Calém Colheita 1978, no less. I have several bottles to give away: if that doesn't provoke a nationwide fit of literary genius, nothing

#### Stitched up

In Tokyo, a protest march with a difference. "We are not asking for money but for the right to play golf," said Naoto Majima, who represents 2,000 members of Higashi Sagami golf course. The owner, Janome Sewing Machine Co, is planning to sell up to pay debts. Chizuko Hayama, 52, a housewife, said: "It is too much. They are trying to deprive me of my only hobby."



#### Over-ruler

Carlos Menern, the president of Argentina, took part in a charity football match recently in River Plate Stadium before 5,000 spectators and a television audience: the sort of thing that gets a politician the reputation for being a good sport. Menem's side was winning 3-2 when the opposition whacked the ball into the net. and the referee, Ricardo Cala-

bria, duly signalled goal.

The president went berserk. He had a passionate argument with the referee. insisting that one of the opposition was offside. In the end, overwhelmed, the ref disallowed the goal. This gave enormous delight to all: a flagrant intervention of executive into judicial authority," the newspapers commented. This just happens to be an opposition party slogan.

#### Drunk in charge

Poland, Warmia lost 4-1 at home against Jagielioni.

This is not a matter of suspicion but of fact. The chib managed to persuade the police to give the ref an alco-hol test after the match. The referee failed with flying colours.

#### Mixed blessing

Where the Brits dither, Americans act. Last week, Jodi Evans, who was a member of Canada's Olympic baskethall squad, learned that she could not play for Oxford University men's team because the British Universities Sports Federation objects to the last that she is a woman. They talked excitingly about how such a move would "open the floodgates".

Last night, Melissa Bur-den, also useful basketballer, was scheduled to play for the men of Savannah College of Art and Design, in Georgia, against Maryville College. I'm a little nervous, but I'm looking forward to it." she said. The team coach, Wally West, said: "She has a good outside shot and quickness. She'll probably play second

#### The Watch Gallery 16th-28th November 1992.

The softeetion will be on show at the 129 Fulkam Road, London SW3 surveyers from 16-21st November

and at the 100 Jerman Street, London SWI shoreroom from 23rd-28th November,

For details regarding the Exhibition at The Watch Gallery, Bureelona.

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telephone 071 835 1230.

#### Going bust a serious handicap

It is occasionally pointed out to me that I have an irrational prejudice against golf. Well, prejudice I admit, but I think it is wholly rational, myself. Arvella Goodrum of suburban Round Rock, Texas, was driving along Forest Creek Drive when she saw two women as she passed the eighth tee. "I was shocked." she said. "I turned back and went to see if I really saw what I saw. The girls were topless."

It transpires that the managers of Sugar's Uptown Cabaret and a similar establishment called The Red Rose and Yellow Rose hold several tournaments each year at Round Rock golf course. Women from the clubs whose normal duties involve semi-naked "dancing" drive the golf carts and serve food in the tournaments. "We tell them to wear golf attire," Howard Lennett, manager of Sugar's, said. Is it simply for

this that 164 golfers paid \$100 each to play? The manager of the Red Rose and Yellow Rose, Hank Fromme. said: "We ask the girls to use discretion, but because of where they work, it's not unusual for the girls to take their tops off. I talked to the pro. J. L. Lewis. He understood that these kind of things could happen." "It's news to

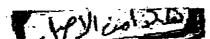
me," Lewis said. I don't know when St Andrews will take the idea up, but a new golf dub in Malaysia has imported 120 Indonesian women to act as caddies. Officials said: "It will provide a different atmopshere to the traditional ly male-dominated sport."

#### Net loss

There is nothing like ice hock-ey. Blackpool Seagulls lost 40-1 after half their team were sent off. They were playing Grimbsy Redwings in the British Non-Import League Eric Cregan, goal-tender and player-manager, was among the sent-off players "To be honest I lost count of the

#### In a recent football match in

They are protesting about guard because she has such a this. The referee was drunk good shot."



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**WINNING WAYS** How to keep the children quiet

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## Uncle Sam's animal crackers

Loving your pet is one thing, but

in America animal affairs are getting serious.

Ben Macintyre

reports

friend was reflecting re-cently on a Thanksgiving get-together he planned to attend at his childhood home in Minnesota this weekend. "She'll be really excited, because I haven't seen her for ages," he explained, "and when I get back she'll hear my car coming into the garage and l'il hear her voice calling from the kitchen. It's the first time we've all been together for

For a man who seldom shows much emotion it was, I thought, a moving testament, an exhibition of the sort of family values that would make Dan Quayle proud. Until I realised my friend was talking not about his grey-haired mother, but about a parrot called Ottoline.

For millions of Americans, Thanksgiving is an opportunity for reunion, with relations certainly, but also with the swarms of fish, budgies, dogs, cats, mice, Vietnam-ese pot-bellied pigs and pythons that make up the American family...

The British like to think of themselves as animal-lovers, but beside the American obsession with pets our attitude towards the domestic animal kingdom appears positively stand-offish. Americans positivery stand-omish. Americans spend nearly \$2 billion annually on pets, and the feeding, clothing, psychoanalysing and burying of domestic animals represents a massive and lucrative industry. There are more pets per family in the US than anywhere else in the world, with more than 60 per cent of American households containing at least one pet. Last year alone Americans bought \$250 millionworth of goldfish, while members of Congress received more letters about animal welfare than about

There are scientific explanations for this. According to recent research, pets bring down blood pressure, reduce heart disease and provide stimulation for the old, the young and the criminally inclined that friends and family cannot. "The increasing urbanisation and alienation within our society leads to a loneliness that is often fulfilled by animals," says Dr Elizabeth Atwood Lawrence, a Massachusetts vet and anthropologist who studies

people and their pets.

In New York, where the patronising description "pet" is gradually being replaced by the more egalitarian term "companion animal", you can even buy authentic pet, sorry, companion animal

o wonder Crimewatch UK



Marriage of man and beast: four-legged friends have feelings too; in New York the patronising description "pet" is gradually being replaced by the more egalitarian term "companion animal"

videos which provide "all the warmth and comfort of an animal friend" without all the fur balls and ouse training.

The domestic pet even plays a part in the political life of America. The intelligence and wit of Millie, the spaniel and best-selling author belonging to George and Barbara Bush, formed a central plank of the Republican election campaign. At times, the dog even appeared to be running for office. "Millie knows more about foreign policy," said the president, "than those two bozos Bill Clinton and Al Gore."

dreds of column inches in the most serious newspapers have been devoted to the Clintons' cat, Socks, his (or indeed, her, according to certain Washington sources) possible significance and effect on the American governing process.

Choosing the right pet is, according to the brochures, a life-enhancing experience. Take the case of Jim Chapman. In 1989, Mr Chapman had a heart attack that left him clinically dead for four minutes. When he came to, he found he had developed an obsession with llamas, which he immediately passed on to his wife, Jan.

The couple completely remodelled their San Diego garden into a small slice of the Andes and

introduced ten llamas, who now join them to watch television at night. Mr Chapman, who bought the animals to thank God for his recovery, is even said to kiss his llamas on the lips. (There is a nasty rash of this sort of thing going around. One American pet magazine recently put out a warning to parrot owners not to kiss their pets on the mouth after some ugly pecking incidents. Parrots are notoriously prudish.)

Of course, the hapless llama may eventually join the Vietnamese potbellied pig, the pet of choice during which have now been abandoned, left with animal welfare agencies or even, sad to report, eaten - victims of the cruel vagaries of animal fashion. But llamas are bolshier than Vietnamese pigs, and no doubt flocks of rejected and television-starved flamas will one day be found wandering the streets of San Diego, snogging with tourists and spitting on policemen.

The American preoccupation with animals produces displays of great affection, as well as violent hatred and a special sort of madness, as Renee Solomon can attest. Ms Solomon is a quiet, bespectacled professor at Columbia University and the sort who would not, in most circumstances, hurt a fly.



Media mega-star: Bill Clinton's famous furry friend, Socks

In the spring of last year the Epsteins, her neighbours in the Manhattan high-rise where she found that she was being woken at dawn by myopic pigeons crashing into her windows: her sills, where the birds roosted, became a sea of guano. At first she just slipped a note under the Epsteins' door, telling them that "in the city, if you try to feed birds you will get

But the birds kept coming, and when Ms Solomon returned home to find bullet-holes in her windows after someone had started taking pot-shots at the infuriating birds. she informed the building superintendent, who smeared her window ledge with a special pigeon-repel-

ling gel.
The Epsteins were livid, and informed the American Society for the Protection of Birds, who sent round their Officer Hernandez, who said the gel was too thick and a threat to small birds. The battle Hernandez started leaving angry and vaguely threatening messages on Ms Solomon's answering machine and then, last December, the ASPCA (American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals raided her flat while she was on holiday and took photographs of

the offending sill. A few weeks later, Ms Solomon was sitting in her university office when Mr Hernandez and several armed policemen burst in and arrested her. She, understandably, kicked one of the officers in the shins, and was handcuffed, locked in a cell and charged with killing

birds and resisting arrest. The charges were later dropped, but Ms Solomon is now suing her neighbours and the city for wrong-ful arrest, false imprisonment and slander. She hopes to get \$4 million, after an episode which finally proves what one had always suspected: New Yorkers' love of animals is inversely proportional to their love of humanity.

For while many Americans are prepared to bury their relatives with a minimum of fuss, pets (as Evelyn Waugh noted) are accorded the sort of funereal trappings reserved for cardinals and criminals in most

The Long Island Pet Cemetery many New Yorkers, who regard the multiple murders carried out by the likes of John Gotti as mere peccadilloes. The owners of this cemetery, it transpired, were not burying or cremating each beloved pet separately but throwing the dead animals into mass graves or burning them en masse. The crime was apparently discovered when the owner of a dead budgerigar was presented with a package of cremated remains containing a canine molar.

Of all the many things dividing this great, heterogeneous nation, perhaps none is more acute than the gulf between those who love, and those who want to destroy, animals. It is currently the deerhunting season in America, when otherwise gentle souls arm themselves to the teeth and venture into the woods and mountains to kill. some by traditional shot and shell. but increasingly using bows and arrows, crossbows and even ancient muskets. As in Italy, a substantial number of hikers, ornithologists and teenage lovers are also bagged

The right to bear arms is en-shrined in the constitution, but the right to kills things is not. Most members of the National Rifle Association, the principal lobby plore the fantastic level of gun violence in the country, but they are fully aware that once the government declares a closed season on drug-dealers, the elk may well be next.

But the peculiar relationship between the American and his or her animal - domestic or wild, whether viewed on video or through a telescopic sight — is a remarkable thing, involving imagination, expense and, above all, sacrifice.

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When Virginia lawyer Derieck Crandall recently discovered that his asthma was getting worse, his allergist told him bluntly that he must get rid of his Siamese car. Mr Crandall fired his allergist.

is such a popular programme, and compulsory viewing for both criminals and non-criminals alike. Englishmen -and this is where Basil Fawlty rang so many bells - love a bit of amateur policing. Many women I have spoken to consider that their husbands are policemen manqués and like nothing more than to come home to catch their wife "at"

at peak time. Coming home for lunch exhausted from working out of doors, pruning other people's apple trees or laying a hedge, my own hus-band does not collapse in a chair with a pint of Goliath ale. Instead he goes directly to my office to check that the thermostat on my Dimplex heater is set at a minimum. On his way through the house towards my office, which is so small that we call

it "the slir", his hands reach out

some petty crime, such as putting

her feet up or talking on the phone

Domestic crime and punishment Excuse me madam, would you accompany me to the kitchen?

octopus-like to switch off lights and central heating and to pour most of the recently boiled water out of the kettle. "No point heating up more than you need - it contributes to global warming."
There is nothing warm about our

cottage, which stands in the teeth of a permanent gale that sweeps up the plain towards it. A plain where only prostrate trees survive, al-though he has planted hundreds to shelter the house to save on heating bills (and to give him a chance to police the weeds).

"You shouldn't need the heating on in November — what is going to happen when it's really cold?" he barks. "People have forgotten how to dress warmly — jerseys, long-johns, vests, get them on!"

My problem is that I don't want

to clad myself like a hot-water tank because if I do it means I can't move my arms. As I usually spend most of the day at a word processor, this is a constant source of conflict, as is his declaration that "if you want to keep warm in a cottage you have to keep moving. The telephone is another

danger zone, and more than one of our friends has pointed out the similarity between ourselves and Sybil and Basil Fawity. He has a rigid rule about not ringing anyone until after six, a practice that has lost him at least one important artistic commission. I



from one of London's top interior designers. "We have an Arab client who wants a mosaic floor in one of his bathrooms. Your husband is the only person we can think of who

could do it. Can you get in touch with him and get him to ring us straight away?" I tracked him down and gave him the message. That night I rang again excitedly. "What happened about the mosaic

"Well, answer."
"There couldn't have been no answer. They've got a huge West End office."

'Well, there was no answer.' "What time did you ring them?" "Five past six — cheap time." Tired of waiting, they had persuaded the client to have a different type of floor in the meantime.

"Did you have anything impor-tant to say?" he asked his mother in a Dalek-like voice when she telephoned the other day - "because I'm a very busy man."

The reason he is so busy is that he runs his own one acre of land organically and a lot of time is spent covering the ground in old newspapers so as to stop weeds germinating. The rest of the time is spent placing stones on top of the newspapers to stop them blowing

This leaves him some time to police my shopping and berate me for having bought wrong things. The other day I looked at our calendar to see in my own section: "Check what we have already got too much of. Then buy more of the

In his formative years his own father used to "police" him for things like leaving the hot tap running. "Don't leave it running. Hot water is like blood!" The motorway brings out the

latent policeman in him like no exceeding the limit.

as driving at speed on the hard shoulder would, with cars undertaking us and bearing down from all directions.

"Why don't you just join the police force? Just give in to it!" I cried recently. "It's obviously what you want. And you'd get a salary." an attendant in a public park instead?" he asked. rather tell off children for going on

Sip it, Pipit

A report in the El Watan Daily, of Algiers, caught our eye the other day. It concerned an unfortunate who had been attacked

by five ruffians, and who had lost his voice as a result.



Several doctors and psychiatrists, it seemed, could do nothing for ZIANE BENSABLI, 28. until someone hit on the sensible notion of treating him with whisky, whereupon he recovered

in a matter of days. The brand of whisky was not revealed in the report.

But it is certain that, had it been The Macallan Malt Whisky with its.

mouth-stroking sherry notes, he would have been WARBLING

like a dizz ilma\* in a matter of minutes.

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other activity. When it says "50mph mandatory speed limit", he will switch to the fast lane and "sit" there at 50mph to stop others from This puts us in as much danger

He looked sheepish. "Can't I be the flower beds than deal with frightening men with crowbars."

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by Graham Devin. The

Birtwistle's gruesome music theatre

piece, to a text by Tony Harrison based on an ancient ballad about

two sisters in love with the same

programme also includes the first

treatment of the story of Daedelus

European staging of Parabola, a

by the Australia-based British

composer Andrew Ford. St Paul's Hall, Huddersfield

(0484 430808), Mon. 7.30pm.

Queen Elizabeth Hall, South

MEDILENBURGH OPERA: The

Petrified by the Czechoslovaldan composer Juraj Benes. The opera was written in 1974, six years after

Czechoslowakia, and is based on the

nationalist poet, Janko Král (1822-

work of the 19th-century Slove

1876). The Place, London WC1 (071-

387 0031), Thurs-next Sat, 8pm.

PRINCESS IDA: Keo Russell's

camp new staging of Gilbert and Sullivan's wry look at women's

London WCZ (071-836 3161). Man,

WHATEVER: The distinctive bass

player whose varied musical past

has included forays into folk and

Netro, Bury (051-761 2216),

Thurs, 8pm. MAC, Birmingham (021-440 3838), Fri, 7.45pm.

Highlights of this year's dance event include soul artist Ornar, American jazz funk planist Eddie

Snowboy and singer Martine Girault.

Event, Brighton (0273 732627), '

THE BEAUTIFUL SOUTH: The

Northern band offer lyrics with a

social conscience wrapped up in

BRIGHTON JAZZ BOP '92:

Russ, Latin percussionist

Fri. 8om-2am.

ROCK

Coffseum, St Martin's Lane

DAMNY THOMPSON'S

Tues, Frì, 7.30pm.

jazz .

the one act chamber opera ::

the Russian invasion of

award-winning company presents

Thurs. 7.45pm.

Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800),

man, is presented in new production

THEATRE

LONDON ANNIE GET YOUR GUN: Kim Criswell and John Diedrich doin what comes naturily in a revival of Irving Berlin's hit-packed musical Prince of Wales, Coventry Street, W1 (071-839 \$987). Previews tonight, Mon. Tues, 7.30pm; opens Wed, 7pm; then Tues-Sat, 7 30pm, mats Thurs,

Sat, Sun, 3.30pm. ASSASSINS: Sondineim's sharp and successful musical about killers of American presidents. Donmar Warehouse, Earlham Street, WC2 (071-867 1150). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Thurs, Sat,



Drama: Jane Asher, Rufus Sewell in Making it Better

HAY FEVER: Maria Aitken and John Standing bewilder the weekend guests in Coward's excellent cornedy. Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115), Previews Tues, Wed, 8pm; opens Thurs, 7pm; then Mon-Sat. 8pm, mats, Thurs, Sat, 3pm.

KISS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN: Tremendously glossy production of the Kander & Ebb musical. It coarsens the values of Manuel Puig's novel but Chita Rivera makes a striking vamp. Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, Sat,

LOST IN YONKERS: Terrific performance by Rosemary Harris in a Neil Simon comedy more weighty than usual. Maureen Lipman is good value as a loopy

Strand, Aldwych, WC2 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. MACBETH/THE TEMPEST: English Shakespeare Company in London for three weeks with its latest modernish dress productions;

Tony Haygarth as the ambitious laird; John Woodvine the exiled The Royalty, Portugal Street (off Kingsway), WC2 (071-494 5020). Macbeth : Tues, 7.30pm, Wed, 2.30pm and 7.30pm; Tempest: Thurs, Fri, 7.30pm,

Sat, 2.30pm and 7.30pm.

MAKING IT BETTER: Lust. treachery and ambition revealed as an English coupie harbour two Czechoslovakian exiles. Jane Asher heads an exceptional cast in James Saunders's play. Criterion, Piccadilly Circus, W1 (071-839 4488), Mon-Fri, Spm, 8.30pm, mats Tues, 3pm, Sat,

OUR SONG: Peter O'Toole in Kenth Waterhouse's play about a menopausal male's infatuation with a young woman. Neatly done though we only hear the man's point of view. Apollo, Shaftesbury Avenue,

W1 (071-494 5070). Mon-Fri, 8.15pm, Sat, 6pm and 8.45pm. STAGES: Haunting performance by Alan Bates as the washed-up artist in David Storey's elegy for lost times and places. Lindsay

Anderson directs. National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Wednext Sat, Spm; mats Thurs, next Sat, 4pm.

TENDER IS THE NORTH: candinavian week at the Ptr. Rehearsed readings of Enquists's Rain Snakes: H.C. Andersen trys to persuade patrons to help him find fame as a tragedian (Mon. 7.15pm); Lars Loren's Autumn and Winter: unwanted truths at a family dinner (Tues, 7.15pm); **Burnt Njali: adapted by Peter** Whelan from the Icelandic saga (Wed, 7.30pm). Performances of Bellman's Opera, directed by Clifford Williams: Knights of Bacchus speaking truth in drink (tomorrow, 5pm, 8pm, Thurs, 3.45pm, 7.15pm); Julian Glover in Beowulf (Wed, 5pm). The Pit, Barbican Centre London EC2 (071-638 8891).

THREE BIRDS ALIGHTING ON A FIELD: Harriet Walter perfect again in revival of this subtle, comic state-of-the-nation play, se a world of shifting values and plummeting art-prices.
Royal Court, Sloane Square SW1 (071-730 1745). Mon-Sat. 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm.

TRAVELS WITH MY AUNT: Simon Cadell, John Wells, Richard Kane, Christopher Gee play all 26 parts, male and female, in Giles Havergal's marvellous version of Graham Greene's novel. Wyndham's, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.15pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm.

WEXFORD TRILOGY: Billy Roche's affectionate, sad, comic Wexford Trilogy (separate plays, connected in mood). A Handiul of Stars: killing time in a gool hall leads to doing time in jail. Poor Beast in the Rain: a man who took a friend's wife off to England returns after ten years. Belfry: a gentle sacristan falls in love with another man's wife. Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (081-743 3388). Belfry: today,

Fri, 8pm; Stars: Mon, Tues, 8pm; Poor Beast: Wed, Thurs, 8pm. REGIONAL EDINBURGH: Brad Fraser, atough young Canadian playwright, gets his first UK premiere with

The Nature of Love: sex. a serial killer, and deep trouble for Edmonton hedonists. Traverse, Cambridge Street (031-228 1404). Preview Fri, 8pm; opens Sat (Nov 28), 8pm; then Tues-Sun, \$pm.

HARROGATE: Vincent Franklin plays Figaro again, this time in The Barber Of Seville, combining the Beaumarchais play with Rossini music.

Street (0423 502116). Tues-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Sats (from Nov 28), 2,30pm.

LEEDS: Bernard Lloyd as Tevye, Beverley Klein as Golda, trying to many off their daughters in -Fiddler On The Roof. West Yorkshire Playhouse, Quarry bill Mount (0532 442111). Previews from Fd, 7.30pm; opens Tues, 7.30pm; then Mon-Fri, 7.30pm, Sat. 8pm, mats (from Dec 5), Wed, 2pm and Sat, 4pm. LEICESTER: Paul Kerryson brings

Side Story. Haymarket, Belgrave Gate (0533 539797). Previews tonight, Mon, 7.30pm; opens Tues, 7.30pm; then Mon-Sat. 7.30pm mats (from Dec 5) Wed and Sat,

NORWICH: After its £3.5 million refurbishment the theatre reopens with the RSC's sublimely funny Comedy of Errors, with Desmond Barnit who won an Olivier award for his performance as two twins Theatre Royal, Theatre Street (0603 630000). Tues-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2,30om.



Purcell players: (I to r) Andrew Watts, Richard Earle, Timothy Mason, Martin Neary, Celia Harper (see Music)

tears. Kenneth Branagh directs

Empire (071-497 9999) MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) MGM

Tottenham Court Road (071-

(0426 914666) Plaza (071-497

RAPID FIRE (18): Part cop

Bruce Lee's son Brandon.

Slapdash fun for genre fans.

rector, Dwight H. Little.

636 6148) MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031) Odeon Kensington

9999) Screen on the Hill (071-435 3366) UCI Whiteleys (071-792

thriller, part kung fu showcase for

MGM Haymarket (071-839 1527) MGM Oxford Street (071-

Whoopi Goldberg: hiding

out as a nun in Sister Act

New room-mate proves a crackpot.

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE (18):

crudities mount. Bridget Fonda,

Odeons: Kensington (0426 914566) Leicester Square (0426 915683) UCI Whiteleys (071-

Goldberg hides out in a convent. Contined but disarming, warm-hearted comedy. Maggie Smith as

14501) West End (0426 915574)

UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

SMILES OF A SUMMER NIGHT

Eva Dahlbeck, Bibi Andersson,

Barbican (071-638 8891).

SNEAKERS (12): Technology

(15): New print of Bergman's lovely,

scintillating comedy about mismatched couples (1955). Starring

Bright, sassy caper comedy with a starry cast (Robert Redford, Sidney Poitier, Dan Aykroyd, Ben

Baker Street (071-935 9772) MGM

MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031)

One dancer's fight to defy the rules of the Australian Ballroom

intoxicating debut by director Baz Luhrmann. With Paul Mercurio.

Barbican (071-638 8891) MGM

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Fulham Road (071-370 2636)

UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

STRICTLY BALLROOM (PG):

Dancing Federation. Ebullient,

the Mother Superior, Director,

Emile Ardolino. MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096)

Odeons: Kensington (0426 914666) Marble Arch (0426

Jennifer Jason Leigh; director,

SISTER ACT (PG): Whoopi

Nicely atmospheric, but the

Rudner and himself.

Emma Thompson, Stephen Fry, Rita

#### FILM

LES AMANTS DU PONT NEUF (18): Leos Carax's hymn to Paris and a punk burn's love for a young artist going blind, Terrific in spurts. Metro (071-437 0757).

THE CRYING GAME (18): Bold Neil Jordan film about an IRA gunman obsessed with a hostage's girlfriend. Stephen Rea Forest Whitaker, Jaye Davidson. Curzon West End (071-439 4805) MGM Fulhert Road (071-370 2636) MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031).

HUSBANDS AND WIVES (15): Woody Allen's best film in years, a lacerating tale of collapsing New York marriages. With Allen and Mia Farrow among the cast. MGM Panton Street (071-930 0631) Minema (071-235 4225) Odeon Kensington (0426) 914666) Renoir (071-837 8402) Screen on Baker Street (071-

THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS American colonies with frontiersman Daniel Day-Lewis. Shallow version of the classic novel; director Michael Mann. Camden Parkway (071-267 7034) MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM Haymarket (071-839 1527) MGM Shaftesbury Avenue (071-836 6279/379 7025) MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031) Notting Hill Coronet (071-727 6705) UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

PETER'S FRIENDS (15): College pals meet up after a decade for a glib mixture of laughter and

DANCE MAYERLING: Tonight Zoltan Solymosi and Leanne Benjamin, as Crown Prince Rudolf and Mary Vetsera, make their debuts in the leading roles in MacMillan's violent tale of the suicidal lovers of the Austro-Hungarian court. This iftemoon, irek Mukhamedov and Viviana Durante star, a performance they repeat on Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (071-240

1066), today, 2.30pm, 7.30pm, Thurs. 7.30nm. LONDON CONTEMPORARY DANCE THEATRE: The company opens its Sadler's Wells season on Tuesday with two London premieres. Motorcade (set to Saint-Saens' Septet) by the popular American choreographer Mark Morris, and *Rooster*, for which Christopher Bruce turned to the music of the Rolling Stones. Presented on a mixed bill with Arnie Zane's Freedom of

Sadler's Wells, Roseben Avenue, London EC1 (071-278 8916), Tues-next Sat, 7.30pm, mat Thurs.

THE KOSH: This acrobatic dance troupe celebrates its tenth anniversary with a new version of its Endangered Species, a work inspired by the life of veteran circus performer and vaudevillia Johnny Hutch, who also cochoreographed and co-directed. The piece features a variety double act struggling to maintain their nal, and personal,

Tricycle Theatre, 269 Kilburn High Road, London NW6 (071-328) 1000), opens Tues, until Dec 5,

HAMILET: For its first visit to Britain, the Royal New Zealand Ballet is presenting its production of espeare's tale, which features medieval-style music played on traditional instruments by musicians who take part in the stage action. The choreography is by the British dancemaker Jonathan Taylor, the music by the New Zealand composer William Southgate. Derngate, 19-21 Guildhall Road, Northampton (0604 24811), Tues-next Sat, 7.30pm.

CLASSICAL HUDDERSHELD CONTEMPORARY MUSIC Grisey's Le Noir de l'Etoile, a from lockell Bank as tempi to six percussionists, while above space are accompanied by a

computer-controlled light show. (Huddersfield Sports Hall, tomorrow, 8pm). More convention musical interest is offered on Tuesday by the British premiere of lannis Xenakis's Tale of a Faust (Huddersfield Town Hall, Tues,

Centre, Albion Street, Huddersfield (0484 430808) TENDER IS THE NORTH: This week's Nordic festival highlight's include The Drottningholm based on the history of the and narrated by Elisabeth Soderström and Ture Rangström, the story is told in words, music, dance and pictures (tonight, 8pm).

HENRY PURCELL: THE Catherine Bott, actors, and

vocal solvists Julia Gooding, Donna Deam, Michael Chance, Christopher Robson, John Elwes and David Wilson-Johnson. South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800).

**FESTIVAL:** Torporrow night sees the British premiere of Gérard multi-media piece which uses the requencies of live pulsar signals generate rotations of sound and light. The audience sit surrounded by their heads the sounds of interstellar

7.30pm). Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival, Tourist Information

Theatre Saga, a costume spectacula magnificently restored 18th-century Barbican Art Gallery, Silk Street, London EC2 (071-638 4141). ENGLISH GENIUS: At 2,30pm today in the Purcell Room (where

else?) Nicholas Kenyon introduces the South Bank's three-year Purcell Tercentenary Project. This is followed by two illustrated talks with demonstrations by soprano members of the Purcell Quartet Then at 8pm tonight the Purcell Quartet with Catherine Bott give a recital of music by the composer (Purcell Room), while tomorrow (Queen Elizabeth Hall, 7.45pm) there is a concert by Gustav Leonhardt and the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment, with the Choir of the Enlightenment and

#### **EVENINGS OUT** SALLY CLARKE



6 I've never really liked Ken Russell's films as I have a weak stomach when it comes to on-screen violence, but his updated production of Gilbert and Sullivan's Princess Ida at the London Coliseum intrigues me. It's set in the year 2000 when Buckingham Palace has become a theme park, and he's used characters based on the royal family - including the corgis. As a serious opera fan. I am not generally that keen on operettas, but this sounds like a fun evening out. The new Kenneth Branagh film Peter's Friends sounds right up my street too. I'm ashamed to say I've never seen Kenneth Branagh on stage or in films, so I'm especially keen to see it. Afterwards I'd go to eat at Riva in Barnes. I love the northern Italian chisine, and because it is a little out in the sticks, I find it has an extra special ambience in the evening. (Usually my evenings consist of leaving work late,

sweet, catchy pop tunes. NEC Arena, Birmingham (021-780 4133), Mon, 5pm. Wembley Arena, Middlesex (081-900 1234), Tues, 7.30pm. Arena, Sheffield (0742 565656), Wed, 6.30pm. STMPLY RED: With the group's Stars album seemingly a perm fixture in the charts, the silky-

voiced Mick Hucknall takes his soul brothers out on the road for an extended tour of the UK. Arena, Wembley (081-900 1234), today, tomorrow and Mon, 8pm. Arena, Sheffield (0742 565656), Thurs, Fri, 7pm. JOHN CALE: The former Velvet Underground member returns to the

UK after an absence of several years performing simple but resonant piano and voice Festival Hall, London S£1 (071-928 8800), tomorrow, 7.30pm.

Brangwyn Hall, Swansea (0792. 302489), Mon, 7.30pm.

Resonant: musician John Cale goes on a solo tour

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

PATRICK CAULFIELD: It is now 11 years since Cauffield had a rospective in London. This new show brings us up to date with his painting now that he has dispensed with black outlines and ventured into trompe l'oeil

Serpentine Gallery, Kensington Gardens, London W2, (071-402 6075). Daily 10am-6pm, opens Tues, until Jan 17.

BOUDIN AT TROUVILLE: AS well as playing a vital role in encouraging the teenage Monet to foresake caricature for painting, Boudin was an important precursor of the impressionists, and a distinguished figure in his own right. This is the first extensive showing in Britain for many years. Burnell Collection, Poliok

Country Park, Glasgow (041-649 7151). Mon-Sat 10am-Spm, Sun 2-5pm, until Feb 28.

SICICERT: Though the artist's early works, reflecting his cosmopolitan experience with Whistler and the impressionists, have retained their lofty status they have been increasingly joined of late by the once-despised work of his old age, based frequently on newspaper photographs or images from pop culture of the day. This large show (134 works) gives ample opportunity to see both

Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, London W1 (071-439 7438). Daily 10am-6pm, until

ERIC GILL: The first to concentrate on Gill's major sculptures, this show presents him as one of the most brilliant of all stone-carvers. Barbican Art Gallery, Barbican Centre, London EC2 (071-638 4141), Mon, Wed, Sat 10am-6.45pm, Tues, 10am-5.45pm, Sun, noon-6.45pm, umil Feb 7 1993.

THE TURNER PRIZE 1992: This year the four artists shortlisted for the prize are all young enough and news conscious enough to make it seem more like a competition for new art than an accolade on entry into the establishment. Recent work by Grenville Davey, Damlen Hirst David Tremiett and Alison Wilding is the winner is on Tuesday. Tata Gallery, Milloank, London SW1 (071-821 1313). Mon-Sat, 10am-5.50pm, Sun, 2-5.50pm, until Nov 29. °

EDVARO MUNCH: This large show is devoted to the paintings, drawings and prints made by Monch in the 1890s and features some 85 pieces drawn from three great Norwegian collections. National Gallery, Trainigar Source, Landon WC2 (071-839 3321). Daily, 10am-6pm (Wed

to 8pm), until Feb 7 1993. TOM PHILLIPS: As well as being a painter, the Royal Academician is a ocet, musician, printmaker and book artist. Most of these talents are shown off, along with his pet obsessions, in this selection.

Royal Academy of Arts (see above). Daily, 10am-6pm, until Dec

#### SALEROOMS

TUESDAY AND PRIDAY: The ede of Napoleon is recalled in furniture sales at Phillips. Tuesday, 11am, and Sotheby's, Friday, 10,30am. The former have an 18th-century Spanish arrochair which he used abnam the Northumberland en route to St. Helena (estimated up to £1,500) and the latter an octagonal oak desk made for the emperor's use on the island by George Bullock (up to £50,000). Philips, 101 New Bond Street,

London W1 (071-629 6602). Sotheby's, New Bond Stre London W1 (071-493 8080). WEDNESDAY: Garibaldi, Grace Darling, Punch and Judy, the Malakoff and Sebastopol are among the Staffordshire figures in Beame's ceramics sale, 10am. in London, among the saver offered by Christie's, 11am, is a William and Mary tumbler cup, 1692 (up to £1,500). Sotheby's have 19th. century commental works, 11am

and 2.30pm, including a portrait of the young Maud Cassel by Anders Zorn (up to £150,000). Bearne's, Rainbow, Avenue Road, Torquay (0803 296277). Christie's, 8 King Street, St James's, London SW1 (071-839 9060). Sotheby's (as above).

FRIDAY: In King Street, Christie's offer 19th-century continental paintings and watercolours. These include Millet's watercolour First Steps (up to £320,000), and a painting by Strindberg, helpfully entitled Waves (up to £150,000). Christie's (as above).

#### BOOKINGS

CRAZY FOR YOU: The Prince Edward Theatre is having a £3m refurbishment ready for the West End opening of the revamped Gershwin musical Crazy For You early next year. On Broadway, Craza For You has won three Tonys with its mixture of classics ("Embraceable You", "I Got Rhythm") and rediscovered Gershwin songs. The London production is directed by Mike Ockrent Prince Edward Theatre, Old

Compton Street, London W1 (071-

734 8951), previews from Feb 18: opens Mar.3. 1993. Mon-Sat. 7.45pm, mats Thurs, Sat. 3pm. CYRANO DE BERGERAC: The swashbuckling hero is celebrated in director Elijah Moshinsky's new version of Rostand's tale about the character's unrequited love for his beautiful cousin Roxane. Robert Lindsay has his hooter extended for the part of Cyrano; while Stella Gonet gets the beauty treatment for the role of Royane. heatre Royal, Haymarket London SW1 (071-930 8800), previews from Nov 28; opens Dec 14. Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm.

ALCINA: Handel's opera -- last seen at Covent Garden in 1962 — is given a new staging by the American director Stephen Wadsworth, widely acclaimed for his translations and staging of 18th-century operas and plays. Yvonne Kenny plays the enchantres who rules over the magic island and Ann Murray plays her suitor Ruggiero.

Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (071-240 1066/1911), opens Dec 18. AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL CONCERT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS: Former Talking Head David Byrne will be giving the European premiere of his 50-minute dassical composition The Forest (with the Pro Arté Orchestra) to launch celebrations towards Human Rights Day on December 10. Also on the bill is singer Alison Moyet and the Balanescu Festival Hall, South Bank London SE1 (071-928 8800), Nov

VIDEO

THE CABINET OF DR CALIGARI (Aikman Archive, PG); Robert Wiene's memorable Expressionist classic, with painted sets at crazy angles and a conundrum of a plot. Werner Krauss as the strange doctor. Conrad Veidt as the somnambulist who does his bldding, 1919,

GRAND CANYON (Fox Video, 15): Lawrence Kasdan's ambitious. uneven tapestry of life on a brife-edge in Los Angeles. One sharp scene, then windy words, then a rush of mush. Among the cast are Kevin Kline, Steve Martin and Danny Glover

REFLECTIONS IN A GOLDEN EYE (Tartan Video, 15): Bizarreehaviour with horses, riding crops and Filipino houseboys: par for the course in Carson McCullers". baroque novel about a southern army camp, Cleverly filmed by John Huston, with an admirable cast. Marion Brando, Elegibeth Taylor. 1967.

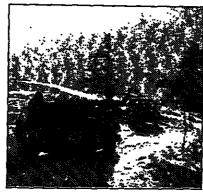
Film: Geoff Brown: Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; Classical Music, Opera: lan Brunskill; Rock, Jazz: Stephank Osborne; **Dance:** Debra Craine: Exhibitions: John Russell Taylor: Video: Geoff

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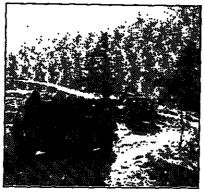
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(071-792 3332). TETSUO II: BODYHAMMER: Quet family man mutates into metal-encrusted killing machine. Relentless monstrosity from Tokyo's enfant terrible Shinya

> ICA (071-930 3647). TWIN PEAKS: FIRE WALK WITH ME (18): David Lynch's dislikeable prequel to the cult television series, with Sheryl Lee as the resurrected Laura Palmer. Camden Plaza (071-485 2443) Gate (071-727 4043) Lumière (071-836 0691) MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM nham Court Road (071-

# CHEF AND RESTAURATEUR



with a takeaway under my arm ...) ?

## The real reason why the royals are looking so glum

lone among those who fol-low the saga of the allegedly A low the saga of the allegedly troubled marriage of the Prince and Princess of Wales. I am in a position to make certain disclosures which may explain their apparent gloom. I know it seems unlikely that a mere farmer should hit upon the truth when the professional royal-watchers have given it their undivided attention, but they spend too much time peering through telephoto lenses when they would be better scanning the small print of the agricultural journals. Therein lies the real reason the

Waleses are depressed. It is because he is a farmer. And it matters not one jot that he is the second highest person in the land, his farm is probably going down the pan as fast as every other one in Britain. Cuts in subsidies, environmental pressures. Brussels regulations, wet harvests...farmers. believe me, get edgy, and their

PARMER'S DIARY PAUL HEINEY

wives fed up with the constant complaining. Evervone has suffered and no farmer can pull rank. There is only one sol-

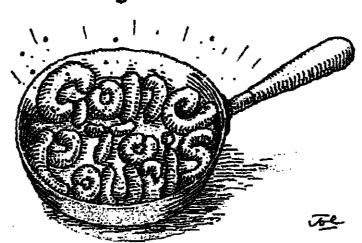
ution, we are repeatedly

told. Diversify! Be inventive and come up with new ideas for using your land and your crops. Well, the Prince of Wales has come up with a cracking idea and, by strange coincidence, a similar one crossed my mind at roughly the same time. And I can tell you that since then the incidence of marital frost in this household has greatly increased.

He has my sympathy. His idea was to take his surplus oats and wheat and bake the mixture into biscuits. He is going to stamp on each one his own insignia - the three feathers - and, as he is

not as skint as most farm ers, he will sell them in aid of charity. This is a classic example of what farmers are being urged to do. As diversification ideas go. it takes the biscuit. My idea was to do with

pigs. There is little profit in fattening pigs and sending them to market if you farm on a small scale. as we do; anyway, butchers do not like our black pigs and I do not care for their livestock markets so there is little chance of a profitable marriage there. Therefore, we have been turning pigs into joints of pork, selling them from the farm and making a modest shilling that way. But not quite enough shillings, so I decided to take the idea one step further and add even more



into sausages. Not having a heral-dic stamp of my own to place upon the pack. I decided that they should be our village's own sausage, with a portion of the proceeds going towards a fund to restore the church

bells. To ensure democracy, decided that the village would hold an election and, from three differently flavoured sausages on offer. vote for one to carry the village's

where I found myself confronted with a plastic bag full of pigs' intestines, an attachment to the food-mixer with which to squirt the sausage-meat into the guts, and a row of herbs and spices. Like Farmer Jekvil. I started to mix my brew.

I imagine there were similar scenes at Highgrove, as the Prince got out his Kenwood Chef and put on his apron to create the perfect personal biscuit. I wonder if he got the same mocking from his spouse that I did. Did he have to suffer his family filing past his efforts and muttering "Yuck"?

And what happened at Highgrove when it came to the tasting? I offered my own princess my exciting blend of pigmeat, breadcrumbs and herbs and waited for a radiant beam to cross her face. All I got was a withering look worthy of Queen Mary. "Look, darling," I cried, "I am only doing this for the farm." It was an outburst that could well have come from either of our farmhouse kitchens.

As I flung more herbs into the mixer, festooned intestine around the kitchen like Christmas streamers and scowled at my wife, I pondered what a snooper with a long lens would make of our facial expressions.

So the next time you open the newspaper and see a frosty royal expression, give it the benefit of the doubt. It could be simply that the prince has run up half a pound of his latest organic oat-and-nasturtium cookies and is getting a less

than enthusiastic response. Here, after working through sausages with garlic-and-paprika, and-black-pepper, our marriage is rocked to its very foundations. If my wife had even the slightest pretext to head for Paris alone, she undoubtedly would.

## Swansong for our gentle souls

n the Celtic and Norse extremities of these islands, a few still believe the older people in the Hebrides or the west of Ireland will warn you never to harm a swan; the swan is the guardian of the human soul, and the swan you injure may harbour the soul of someone you once loved.

In Shedand a flight of three swans still turns heads, commands respect. Norse lore has three Fates: the Three Nornes, representing past, present and future, and represented by three swans.

Such legends endure where nature is still a daily force to be placated or cursed or consulted. In lesser landscapes, where nature has been deadened and distanced, the human soul in its swan guise is ridiculed, poisoned, choked, shot, beaten-up, strangled, electrocuted, smothered in tar, even crucified with crossbow bolts. In such places swans have no future, a miserable present: in some only a past.

An adult swan has no natural enemies, only man, who is as unnatural an enemy as a swan could ever conceive. For man is also the friend of swans. His hospitality has often sustained them where they might have failed. He feeds them. builds them sanctuaries, heals them. And, as the folklore of half the countries of the world testifies. he even becomes swan.

I have grown addicted to swans over 25 years, an addiction which stems from a craving for theatre-inthe-wild. My nature-writer's instincts are best served by those wildlife tribes which tread a wild stage for a living and dominate that stage utterly, with lives imbued by badger, eagle, for example - but

If you grew up, as I did, with the idea of a swan as a curved sittingprettiness on a parkland pond (or a matchbox, pub sign, toilet roll, theatre, chocolate box . . see how we devalue the superlative to titivate

Jim Crumley writes of the lore and lives

of the swans that tread a wild and

increasingly dangerous stage

for Arctic-sheened whoopers on a peat-black Skye loch, and the word "swan" is suddenly and stunningly

As with all theatre, the performance depends on its setting for effect. The nature of the stage the swans strut or swim or swan-fly (a different and more glorified motion than other forms of wild flight) transforms them uniquely. An enclosed setting - a pond, canal, treedark river — confers an air of sup-pressed tension on a swimming swan, an intimidating authority on a fiving one.

A bland setting — a large, flat field where wintering swans graze in flocks — suggests something exotically oriental; brilliant imposters in the drab world of sheep. A wild Highland setting, in which wing-song or bugle-voice echoes back from a black crag, accords swans their due - the nearest thing to perfection in nature.

True, the theatre of swans is often of a Waiting for Godot-ish school, such is their capacity for doing almost nothing for hours on end, but the swan-watcher works in ment which unleashes the grand gesture. Besides, swans never do absolutely nothing, and impart measured grace to the most mundane actions, apart from walking. Even nature knows the worth of comedy in its most dramatic roles, an example from which • Feather report returns next week.

the Swan of Avon learnt much. Nonsense clings to swans as doggedly as myth. The one everybody quotes as indisputable truth is that a swan can break your arm with a single blow of a wing. Just as common is the absence of a shred of evidence that it has actually happened. If you are frail, brittle boned, crassly careless and cursed, it is probably possible.

Swan bones broken by humans.

however, are indisputable and commonplace. In a recent Scottish court case the accused explained an assault on a swimming swan thus: "I was only skimming stones, your honour."

You cannot," the sheriff said, "skim a brick."

The angler who discards a yard or two of broken line, often with hook, is laying a snare which can main or kill a swan. So is the wildfowler who perpers the shal-lows with lead shot. Along with the vandal, the egg stealer, the brick-skimmer, they should face the same punishment as those who prey on eagles or ospreys or peregrines.

wans which suffer at their hands often die slowly and in agony. When G.L. Doane wrote of the dying swan, "Death darkens his eyes and unplumes his wings, yet the sweetest song is the last he sings", it is safe to presume he had never had to handle a pair of mute swans with a brood of six cygnets which had been smothered in tar by vandals (the pair in question survived seven hours to clean each bird but they returned to the wild with

shrined in law, the swan will eventually retreat to those Celtic and Norse shores of the land where a few old ones still believe. ● Jim Crumley is the author of Waters

of the Wild Swan (Jonathan Cape, £14.99).



I NEVER saw lions without wishing to be among them. I always wanted to throw myself into their midst. I felt this urge most strongly after a kill: a great golden heap of lion, a perfect ecstasy of digestion, paws in the air, expressions of fatuous content and an atmosphere of glorious, lazy companionability.

At first I thought this was something to do with the urge to fling oneself off high buildings or into the path of Tube trains: the strange attractiveness of mortal danger. But I was forced to revise this theory: I didn't feel the same thing with any other dangerous beasts.

I felt no urge to swim with cross and hippos. I felt no temptation to frolic with buffaloes. A leopard is too self-contained and remote to inspire dreams of cuddles: only admiration will do. And, though no one could fail to delight in the proximity of elephants, I felt no need to cast myself among them.
I thought this desire to frolic with

lions was a personal aberration, but when I mentioned it to others they all confessed to the same urge: "I just want to leap out of the vehicle and curl up with them." This seems the most natural

## Farewell deadly pride

thing in the world. A number of things encourage it. For a start, in Luangwa you almost always have the beasts to yourself: no crowds of gawpers here. And then, of course, you are fairly close - say, five yards. Close enough to tingle the blood a little, anyway. Many a time I have been so close to lions I could have leant from the vehicle and touched them. Indeed, it was an effort to stop myself.

A great big, lovely, peaceful pile f golden fur: that is a pride of wellfed lions. And our local pride was certainly well-fed. They had the drought to thank for that long before the dry season had ended, the Luangwa river was virtually the only drinking water in the valley. Our pride — the Pride of Twelve held a territory that ran for about six miles along the river banks.

For a lion, this was millionaires' row: the prey animals could not keep away. They would die of thirst if they did. For the lions, the drought was a time of plenty. There

BUSH TELEGRAPH Simon Barnes

were eight females and four young. maneless males: the entire pride was young, fit and fast: Perry Nyama, our game scout, called them "the deadly pride". Nor was this a courtesy title. One

morning, driving out from camp, we passed a herd of buffaloes walking up from the river. "They've been drinking at the Mwamba confluence." "Wasn't that where we saw the Twelve last night?"

It was. And we found a sight of devastation: the lions had killed three buffaloes in a sudden, violent orgy of killing. They had switched from peaceful content to ferocity in the blinking of an eye: about five

tons of meat lay on the sands. Three mornings later nothing was left. In the perfect economy of the bush there is no waster after the pride had extracted the lion's share. the hyenas, the vultures and the marabous devoured the rest.

Some people were fooled by the lions. They thought they were tame. Docile. The illusion is under-standable: in times of plenty a lion spends huge amounts of time resting, digesting, rolling around in a lovely great heap of hon. That lazy good fellowship is brought about by these brief, seldom-seen bursts

of perfect ferocity.

There seems to be a deep split in leonine personality. Such drastic contrasts — docility and utter ferocity — come easily to them. Their complicated social life shows the same divided nature.

They are co-operative hunters with a savage loner's streak. At a kill, it is every lion for itself: you see cubs, ears back, fighting for a bite with swatting paws. Wild dogs run CHRISTOPHER BRECH



After the kill: a great golden heap of lion, a perfect ecstasy of digestion. Right: Simon Barnes takes a last look at the Luangwa valley

back to the den with full bellies to regurgitate for their pups: not lions.

A lion seems forever caught between independence and sociability: between selfish concerns and the pull of the pride. Mothers are known to abandon cubs to stay with the pride equally, mothers abandon the pride to care for cubs.

This was the case with the Pride of Twelve: we had to reassess their status when we discovered two mothers, each with two young — known forever as the Fubsy Cubs attended sometimes by a particularly beautiful and experienced female with no tip to her tail ("Auntie No-tip"). Sometimes, also, we found them with one or even two magnificent males.

THE Twelve was merely the core of the pride. There were splinter groups and individual concerns to complicate matters. The mothers and the Fubsy Cubs kept them-selves to themselves. The big males did as they chose occasionally turning up to share a kill with the Twelve: more often pursuing private concerns. For a male lion, private concerns are almost always protracted honeymoons of endless days and countless copulations.

Lions filled my mind for the months I lived in the valley: the subject of endless gossip; the stuff of dreams as they shook the camp at night with thundering roars.

The rains have begun now, and, for the lions, the time of glut is over. The Fubsy Cubs have grown and prospered, and already I long to see what the Twelve will be doing next season: no doubt the young males will be kicked out to fend for themselves, to become, years later, if they survive, strong enough to take over a pride of their own, and to spend their days in endless honeymoon.

Lions provided the lasting memory of the valley. I cannot forget the complications of that half-evolved social life — the constant dilemmas of a life that is caught forever between sociability and selfishness. But I left the valley and returned to the world of humankind - knowing I was rejoining a world caught forever in the same dilemma.

 Simon Barnes stayed with Savannah Trails, Luangwa National Park, Zambia, which can be contacted through

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## Listeria hysteria cools off

FOOD SPY: CHEESE

I HAVE been expecting since midsummer an outbreak of listeria hysteria, but it has not come. In 1988, you remember, the dangers of listeriosis in soft cheese were presented as so desperate by the media that many people gave up eating soft cheeses altogether.

Others would eat only pasteurised soft cheeses, although most of the cases reported actually came from

pasteurised cheese. Between March and July this year there was a bad outbreak in France. with 105 cases of listeriosis identified and 24 deaths. three of whom were new-born infants. Six miscarriages also resulted. When listeria was hot news the tabloids would have gone wild at killer cheese across the Channel and the serious press would have issued sober warnings. But we've had other things on our

other things on our minds this year, like the three Ms. Maastricht, Mellor and marriages (royal). So there have been few column inches and television time available for the bug known as listeria monocytogenes. The French outbreak was largely ignored in Britain.

The good news is that in this country listeriosis is declining. The better news for cheese fanatics is

that many of the reported cases are connected with shop-bought pate, not soft cheese. (Hard cheeses are safe, anyway.) I learn that the ongoing survey into listeriosis by the Public Health Laboratory Service at Colindale is finding pate behind many of the current cases.

In any case, the trend is down. In 1987, reported cases in England and Wales doubled. In 1988 they rose further to 291, since when they have fallen steadily; in the first half of this year there were just 47 cases.

A sense of proportion is always important. The symptoms are

But many of us are naturally immune from listeriosis, and better hygiene in the milking pariours and dairies is gradually making soft cheese safer.

What is not yet over is the pasteurised versus unpasteurised cheese war. Colindale still insists that pasteurised cheese is safer.

eurised cheese war.
Colindale still insists that pasteurised cheese is safer when it comes to listeriosis. So do the French health authorities. But a counter-force of cheese experts, led by Major Patrick Rance, provides tough opposition.
Major Rance, author of the definitive

French Cheese Book

rather like influenza and, for

most healthy people, listeriosis is

not dangerous. For old, weak people and those suffering other

illnesses the infection can be

fatal. In pregnant women it can cause miscarriage. (Official ad-

vice for all pregnant women is

still to avoid soft cheeses and pate

(Papermac. £12), is convinced that pasteurising milk actually encourages 
isteria monocytogenes. "It doesn't 
kill all the listeria 
bacteria," he says. 
"Some of them are 
merely stunned. 
And because other 
kinds of bacteria 
have been killed, the 
listeria bugs have a 
free run to breed." 
The major also believes that the chill-

ing of milk after

pasteurisation is good news for the bug. "Refrigeration enriches listeria," he says. The Rance doctrine goes on to say that the acid balance of good

raw milk kills the listeria bug, so

why pasteurise?

The followers of Major Pat do not keep their cheese in the fridge. "Keep it in a small meat safe in a cool cupboard, or even in the back of the garage." he says. "Listeria won't flourish, and the cheese will taste better anyway. And buy in small

Frank Jeffery

## Fruit, veg and nut case

t is 5.30am and in a quiet corner of London's Chelsea Green members of the Fry family are setting up shop. Box after box of exotic fruit appears from the van: fresh Medjool dates from California, kumquats from Israel, American strawberries, Hawaiian pineapples and mangoes, and Jamaican ugli fruit.

Paul Fry, who has been up since

Paul Fry, who has been up since 12.30am to get the pick of the market, starts to create the spectacular pavement display at the front of the corner shop, while inside his wife Maureen and son Colin replenish the shelves.

Each day the Frys spend up to three hours setting up. Everything is taken down the night before. Nothing is put back unless it is in perfect condition. Cauliflowers, lettuces and leeks are carefully trimmed, peaches, nectarines and plums rigorously checked for the slightest blemish.

slightest blemish.

Fry's is a Chelsea institution, greengrocers to the rich and famous. Customers include politicians and judges, lords and ladies (and their cooks and butlers), captains of industry and celebrities — Jane Asher. Dirk Bogarde, Albert Finney, Felicity Kendal, Joan Plowright, Tom Stoppard and "a lot of minor actors". "We don't bow and scrape to any of them. They're rested just the same as anyone else." says Mrs Fry. "You did rush back to serve Albert Finney when you were going home the other day," Mr Fry reminds her.

In fact Fry's customers all get a first-class service. Mr Fry moves heaven and earth to track down out-of-season ingredients and delivers them to the doorstep (along with a bit of fish from the next door fishmonger if they haven't time to pick it up). He sends them fruit when they're ill, flowers when they have babies and, most obligingly of all, allows them to pay on tick.

"We're always paid eventually," says Mr Fry. "We only had one customer let us down. We tried everything. We found out she was moving and managed to get hold of her parems' address. We wrote saying we would have to take action if she didn't pay. Nothing.

if she didn't pay. Nothing.

"Eventually, we put a notice up in the shop saying 'Would anyone knowing the whereabouts of Mrs X'— we named her— 'whose outstanding account of £700 hasn't been paid...' and we got the money in three weeks."

Mr Fry was brought up in a council flat in Bishop's Road, Fulham, left home at 15 and started work as a bacon hand and delivery boy for Hawkins the grocer in Wandsworth Bridge Road. He has now been in the trade for 33 years, running his own shop for the last 11. Business, he says, is not as

Fiona Beckett

discovers every-

thing from cabbages to kiwano

greengrocer's

in a Chelsea

brisk as it was. "Since the recession, a lot of our wealthy customers have cut down on their entertaining."

Fortunately, Fry's is one of the best. It's not just the breadth of the range, from white raspberries to nasturtium flowers, but the fact that on almost every line he offers a choice. On a typical day you can buy six different kinds of mushroom, nine varieties of potato, ten to 12 different types of salad leaf and two sorts of shallot.

"I will always take on something for the novelty, even if I lose money on it," says Mr Fry. "If people are giving a dinner party they like to be one up. If they've got a kiwano la homed melonl on the table it's a bit of a conversation piece."

He is always prepared to pay a premium for taste. "We get air-freighted pineapples, which are more expensive, but they're not chilled and artificially held back. We stock vine-ripened insecticide-free tornatoes. They're expensive but they're good. A lot of fruit and vegetables don't taste of anything these days because they're relingerated too much. With some winter tornatoes, if you shut your eyes, you can't tell what you're eating."

ustomers get honest advice about quality. "If they ask what the apples are like today, we don't just say lovely". If they're a bit tart or a bit soft we tell them. We always let our customers try things, unless it's something like a melon or pineapple. It might cost us 25p, but we want them to be satisfied. We want them to come back the day after."

In fact, prices are not sky-high: mangetout at £2 a lh; Kenya beans at £1.80: seedless grapes 60p; apples 30p; oranges five for 60p. "I'm not saying we're always cheap, but if you take a list of 20 basic items and compare us with the local supermarkets we'd be on a par or cheaper. We have old girls who come in just for an onion and a carrot. That's no problem. We realise it's difficult for people living on their own."

Old-fashioned pickled onions
4lb/1kg 800g pickling onions
or shallots
4oz/110g rock salt



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Try before you buy: Maureen and Paul Fry's customers get honest advice - and a free taste first

10fl ca/275ml water
2pt/1150ml malt vinegar
4ca/110g brown sugar
8 bay leaves 4 cloves
4 heaped tsp coriander seeds
8 thin slices of fresh ginger
a few small dried chillies
2 sticks of cinnamon, broken in half

4 blades of mace

Peel the onions by scalding them in

boiling water. The skins will slip off easily. Put them in a bowl and cover with the water in which you have dissolved the rock salt. Leave for 24 hours then drain, rinse and

Pack the onions into hot jars and cover with the cold vinegar into which you have mixed the brown sugar and spices. (If you like a sweeter pickle, increase the sugar by one ounce). In each jar there

should be one or two bay leaves, a clove, a full teaspoon of coriander seeds, two slices of ginger, one or two chillies, half a stick of cinnamon and a blade of mace.

at least three weeks, preferably three months.

• Fry's of Chalsea, 14 Cale Street, London SW3 (071-589 0342). Opening times: Mon-Fri 5.30am-5pm, Sar

Finally, seal the jars and keep for

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## Mixed reviews: there are good

there are good glugs among

this year's vintage, says

vintage, says

Jane MacQuitty

🦳 nub 1992 beaujolais nouveau and you will miss out. Dragged down by the recession, devahiation and dark days, a light. fruity, uncomplicated glass of 1992 beaujolais nouveau is one of this winter's rare treats. Pedants and purists maintain that beautolais nouveau has had its day. The truth is that Thresher's recently doubled its early. '92 beaujolais nouveau orders at the request of its wine shop managers, Georges Duboeuf has sold more than double its 1991 total, and Sainsbury's will sell 2,000

extra cases this year.

Apart from well-stocked shelves, the other good news is '92 beaujolais nouveau's keep price. Plenty of wines are under £3 a bottle this year, and even Joseph Drouhin's top-drawer Beaujolais-Villages

Nouveau is less than a fiver. What is remarkable about 1992 beaujolais nouveau is that it ever got made at all. This year's freak weather in Beaujolais threw hail, rain, floods, heavy humidity, sun and heat waves at the vines. Given this strange weather, 1992 beaujolais nouveau is, unsurprisingly, not the greatest nouveau year I have tasted. But those who vigorously thinned their grapes and picked early, before the rains, have made good wines. There was no rot. Above all, 1992 is the year of the professional specialists who have curtailed the excesses, avoided massive over-production and worked

hard to give their wines concentration.

The '92 nouveau is less variable than the beaujolais men maintain. My blind tasting from high street outlets shows that this year's style is aromatic, light in alcohol and pale in colour, supple and reeking of plums and cherries. Not as tennic or exceptional as 1991, 1992's fault is a slight lack of zingy, mouthwatering



Good quality and a good price: Jane MacQuitty is impressed with the '92 vintage

nouveau acidity. Instead, it offers good, soft, uncomplicated gamay fruit that will be at its best between now and Christmas. Santé.

STARS

• 1992 Beaujolais Nouveau,

E. Loron & Fils; Unwins
E2.99. Fullers E3.69
Oodles of big, ripe, concentrated, earthy plum and cherry
fruit put Loron effortlessly
ahead of the pack. Delicious,
deep, creamy fruit and a
darker crimson purple colour
make this a nouveau to remember. Great value.

1992 Beaujolais-Villages

Nouveau, Joseph Drouhin; Vintage House, 42 Old Compton Street, London, WI 64.60, La Vigneronne, 105 Old Brompton Road, London, SW7 64.95, Stones of Belgravia, 6 Pont Street, London, SWI 65.25 Drouhin's vibrant, elegant, juicy-fruit nouveau stood out. Zesty, mouthwatering and thus atypical for 1992. Drouhin will be especially

popular with true fans.

SPECIAL AWARD

1992 Vin de Pays d'Oc
Nouvedu, Georges Duboeuf;
Majestic Wine Warehouses
200

£2.99

Not a beaujolais nouveau at all. But such a lively, gluggable, soft, cherry and plum packed wine, it deserves a place here. Good value.

HIGHLY
RECOMMENDED

1992 Beaujolais Nouveau,
Georges Duboeuf, Sainsbury's
£3.95. Augustus Barnett
£3.99, Thresher & Davisons

£4.49. Another heavyweight nouveau whose intense, rich musk and plum palate works well.

■ 1992 St Michael Beaujolais Nouveau, Cellier des Samsons: Marks & Spencer £3.49.

1991's usual pale crimsonpurple colour, but enlivened by plenty of full, perfurned, lively, violet cherry and banana-like fruit.

RECOMMENDED

1992 Beaujolais Nouveau,
Cuvée de la St Martin, Cave
Coopérative Beaujolaise de
Buily: Gateway £2.99
A pleasant, light, juicy, cherryscented nouveau with no
faults, but a shade dull.
1992 Beaujolais Nouveau,
Charles Chevalier, Threshert
Wine Rack/Bottoms Up £3.69

Charles Chavalier, Thresher'
Wine Rack/Bottoms Up £3.69
Very pale crimson but agreeable, ripe, spicy, average raspberry fruit.

1992 Beaujolais Nouveau,
H. Durémont; Oddbins

H. Duremont; Oddbins 63.25. Zesty, light appley fruit. Acidic finish. • 1992 Beaujolais Nouveau.

finish.

• 1992 Beaujolais Nouveau,
Auguste Berthillier;
Sainsbury's £2.85
Enticing, fresh, zippy scent,
but let down by a dull palate.

• 1992 Beaujolais Nouveau. Roland Dagneau; Waitrose £3.25. Too earthy for most palates.

AVERAGE

1992 Beaujolais Nouveau
Guy de Servat; Asda £2.95

Guy de Servat; Asda £2.95.
Zesty, but lacking fruit.

1992 Beaujolais Nouveau,
Claude Chamonard, The Victoria Wine Company £3.29.
Pretty colour and plums and
pears scent but bitter finish.

1992 Beaujolais Nouveau,
Pasquier-Desvignes; Augustus
Barnett £2.99
Dull, farmyard-redolent.

UNACCEPTABLE

• 1992 Beaujolais Primeur.
Jacques Dépagneur. D. Byrne
6 Company, Victoria Buildings. 12 King Street,
Clitheroe, Lancashire £3.55,
Bentalis. Wood Street, Kingston, Surrey £3.99; Pont de la

Tour, 36d Shad Thames, Butler's Wharf, London. SE1 £3.99.
Wet straw, wet wood nose and over-extracted palate.
■ 1992 Beaujolais Nouveau. Jean-Claude Debeaune, Safeway £2.79
Disgusting sulphury, card-

● 1992 Beaujolais Nouveau. Jedn-Claude Debeaune. Safeway £2.79
Disgusting sulphury, cardboardy taste is, surprisingly. nowhere near as mauseous as the previous year's nasties.
● 1992 Beaujolais Nouveau. Les Vignerons de la Cave de Bully. Tesco £2.75
Horrid sulphur and card-

board odour and taste.

THE LITE

## Have a nice start to the day

Hearty Thanksgiving breakfasts from Frances Bissell, the Times cook



NOT a pumpkin, a cranberry or a turkey in the column today, although it is the Thanksgiving holiday in the United States next week. I shall use space

instead as an excuse to write about American breakfasts, partly with an eye to holidays there next year with, I hope occasions for a few lazy breakfasts.

Breakfasts did not start off as lary meals. This year my husband. Tom, and I stayed near Brunswick in Maine, at the Harpswell Inn on Lookout Point, built in 1761 to be the cookhouse of the Lookout Point shipyard. We were woken before dawn by the clammers and lobstermen going off in their boats. They needed a Maine fisherman's breakfast much more than we did, but that is what our hosts, Susan and Bill Menz, served us a few hours later in the inn.

Along with the unlimited juice, coffee and exquisite breakfast bakes of ginger muffins, we were served what the Maine fisherman eats before he goes to sea: a helping of corned beef hash, a heap of baked beans and an egg; the kind of dish that will keep you going all day. After breakfast, I went out to buy the baked beans to bring home with me cans of B&M Brick Oven Baked Beans, "baked for 7 hours", it says on the label. They were the only ones that would do. I was told in Brunswick. When I got back to England, I discovered that the Rosslyn Deli in London, NW3 has them, for £1.30 for a small can.

At the elegant Belmont Inn in Camden, Maine, breakfast was a different affair altogether. At the Harpswell all the B&B guests sat together at a long table, but here in the Belmont's conservatory, with classical music playing, we sat at small tables. Unlimited coffee was served, melon balls and mint for starters, and another beautiful breakfast cake, this time "bishops" bread", a streusel cake with sour cream under the topping. The main course was a Finnish pancake, baked in the oven. It was the fish to finish cooking. When the

light in texture but very rich, topped with sour cream, fresh blue-

berries and a dusting of icing sugar.

At the Union Square Cafe in New York, we are home-smoked trout and salmon with scrambled eggs, one of the best late breakfast dishes. At home, I like to serve it with split croissants, hollowed out brioches, or toasted bagels. Cream cheese and sliced smoked salmon is a tasty combination at any time.

One breakfast time at Colette's, on LA's Wilshire Boulevard, I ord-ered this, and it came in a novel form. Easy to do at home, if somewhat time-consuming and costly, it is worth doing for a special occasion. Line a loaf tin with clingfilm and then line it with slices of smoked salmon. Fill the mould with alternative layers of cream cheese and smoked salmon. Press down overnight, and then turn out and slice thinly. It will go a long way. But first, here is my version of an American breakfast using British

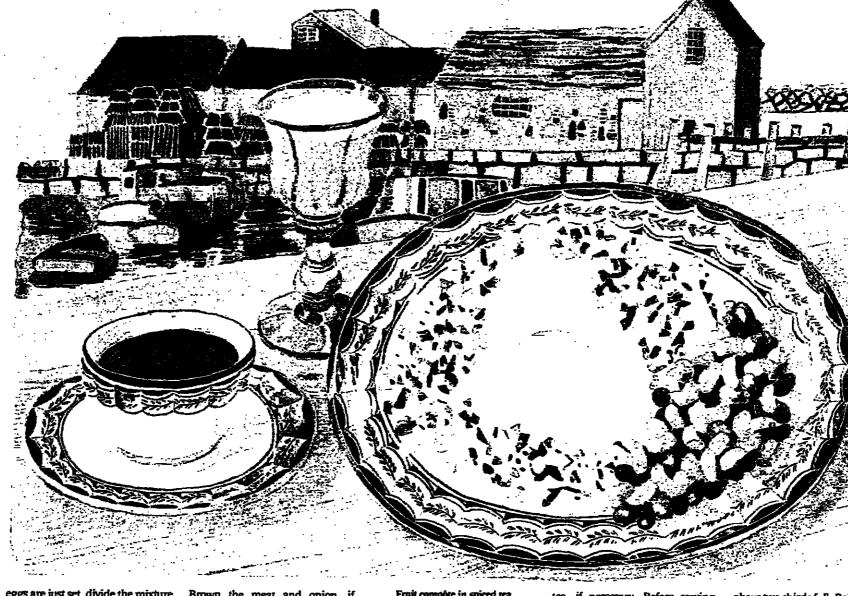
Smoked	haddock hash			
(serves 4)				

1-14 lb/455-680g firm, waxy 2tbsp olive oil

i small onion or shallot, peeled and finely chopped (optional)

1-2thsp finely chopped parsley

Peel and dice the potatoes very small; coarsely grate, or use the julienne blade of the food processor. Blot off excess moisture. Use a wok, sauté pan or frying pan to cook the hash. Heat the oil, and add the potatoes and onion, if using, and cook gently until the potatoes are almost cooked. Meanwhile, skin and dice the fish: add it to the pan with a little more oil and the parsley. Stir to mix well, and raise the heat slightly. Allow the fish to cook for a minute or two, and then make four depressions in the mixture, and slide a raw egg into each; put on the lid, and allow the eggs to cook in the steam and



eggs are just set, divide the mixture into four in the pan, and slide the portions on to heated plates.

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An alternative method of cooking this is to spoon the almostcooked mixture into an oven-proof dish or individual dishes, slide in a raw egg, and bake in the oven. A spoonful of soured cream over the egg volk will prevent it hardening.

(serves 6-8) The hash

2Ib/900g leather steak or flank steak, coarsely minced or finely

l onion, peeled and finely chopped (optional) 3tbsp olive oi

1-2tsp concentrated tomato pures or sun-dried tomato paste dash of Angostura bitters 1 tsp Worcestershire sauce

140ml water or stock 2-3lb/900g-1\_35kg firm, waxy

seasoning

using, in half the olive oil. Stir in the tomato purée, the bitters and the Worcestershire sauce. Add about 4 pt/ 140ml water or stock. and simmer, partially covered, until the meat is tender and well

The meat can, of course, be cooked the day before required, since I am sure the dish evolved as a combination of leftovers. It can be flavoured with a bay leaf or two, or a sprig of thyme or oregano. Scrub and par-boil the potatoes; again, this is a task that can be done in advance. Peel when cool enough to handle, and dice very small. Pry them in the remaining olive oil, and when they are cooked and nicely browned, combine the meat

Poach or fry free-range eggs, and serve with the hash, or bake the eggs in a dish of hash, as described in the previous recipe.

Do not forget to serve with baked beans; the best you can buy or bake. Judge the quantity according to

(serves 6-8) Darjeeling, Earl Grey or

l cinnamon stick piece of numneg seeds of 6 cardamom pods

6 doves 6 black peppercorns 6 allspice berries

l orange, l lemon 1lb/455g dried fruit, apricot pears, peaches, apples, primes, figs, blueberries, etc

maple syrup, honey or sugar, to

Make a pot of tea, using about 2pt/1.15l water, and let it infuse for five minutes. Put the spices in a saucepan. Strain the tea over them and simmer for ten minutes. Peel the zest from the orange and lemon, and put it, with the dried fruit, in a large bowl. Squeeze the orange and lemon juice into the bowl. Pour the hot spiced tea over the fruit, spices and all, and leave tea, if necessary. Before serving, taste and sweeten if you think it needs it, but keep in mind that the fruit is already very sweet.

Dried apricot muffins (makes 12) 1/1b/1 10g plain flour 4 lb/1 10g superfine whole

31sp baking powder freshly grated nutmeg 30z/85g light or dark muscov

30z/85g melted butter free-range egg, lightly beaten 8fl oz/230ml buttermilk, or a

mixture of yoghurt thinned down with water or skimmed milk

14 lb/110g chopped, dried apricots Grease 12 bun tins or paper cases. Sift the flours together and then sift with the rest of the dry ingredients. Mix the butter and egg with the liquid, and stir into the dry ingredi-

ents. Do not over-mix. Stir in the dried fruit.

about two-thirds full. Bake in a pre-heated oven at 200C/400F, gas mark 6 for 20 to 25 minutes, until risen and golden brown.

This is not unlike a Finnish pancake, and is easy to make. Bake it in individual dishes or a larger oven-proof dish to serve at the table. For six people, mash six or eight ripe (not spoilt) bananas with a little sugar, and season with nutmeg or cinnamon. Beat in three or four free-range egg yolks. I thep of sifted flour and 4 pt/140ml single cream or milk. Whisk the egg whites, and fold into the banana mixture. Spoon into a generously buttered oven-proof dish, and bake until puffed up and golden brown, 12-20 minutes, depending on the depth of the dish. Serve hot. Maple syrup and thick plain yoghurt are ideal accompaniments.

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Entertaining at home

#### Cut the small talk and start eating

Taki Theodoracopulos: As a Greek male, I'm not in the least interested in cooking. But I enjoy entertaining my friends, so when I'm in London for any length of time I'll have a dinner party, although since I turned the dining room of my Cadogan Square house into my study, this means it

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will be in the kitchen. In London I use two freelance chefs who cook the kind of food I like: light and fresh. I enjoy Italian food, and salads.

I don't enjoy formality, but a certain degree of grace can be achieved by filling the drawing room with vases of flowers, preferably yellow, sunny flowers. I wouldn't serve cocktails, too complicated! Champagne is good for any occasion.

There will be some sort of starter already on the table. and then we'll have a dish like a risotto, served with mixed poppadoms and a green salad, perhaps, and ending up with a light dessert like a mousse.

In New York, where everyone eats out at restau-rants all the time, it's especially nice to entertain at home. My wife Alexandra (the Austrian Princess Alexandra Schoenburg] might arrange a dinner with my friend Norman Mailer, say, or someone who is such a celebrity that he finds it hard to eat in

In Greece, I like to entertain on my yacht, with pastas, risottos and salads.

Another thing. I don't enjoy pre-dinner small talk. So my ideal thing is to appear just before dirmer is served - fresh from the shower and hungry for conversation - without having to go through the dreary warming up period during the drinks session.

Taki's favourite curried thicken risotto

20z unsalted butter 2 medium onions, peeled 2-3 sticks celery, chopped 12oz long grain rice l thep mild curry paste 14 pt of chicken stock

salt, pepper 5oz frozen pezs lib cooked chicken, sliced 3thsp Greek yoghurt

chopped parsley 3 tomatoes, skinned, deseeded, chopped 30z grated Gruyère cheese

Melt butter in large pan add onions; fry over moderate heat till transparent; add celery, fry for two minutes, add rice and curry paste. Cook, stirring continuously, for further two to three minutes. Add chicken stock, salt and pep-per and simmer for 20 minutes, until most of the liquid is absorbed. Do keep stirring intermittently to stop it sticking to the bottom of the pan. Add peas, cooked chicken, then yoghurt and chopped parsley. Just before serving add

tomatoes and cheese.



Alexandra and Taki Theodoracopulos in London

Get ready for Stir-up Sunday with the famed

Times recipe he collect for tomorrow.

the Sunday before Advent, includes the words: "Stir up we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded." Tradition has it that cooks would rush home from morning service, having been reminded to make the Christmas pudding, and it has long been known as Stir-up Sunday. So in time for Stir-up Sunday, here is my Christmas pudding recipe again.

The only fat comes from the egg yolks, and the only sugar from the dried fruits, the small amount of marmalade or candied peel and the fortified

The pudding is high in fibre from the wholemeal bread-crumbs and the dried fruit. It is also absolutely delicious, full of rich flavour and moistness but not at all heavy. And because it contains prunes, it can claim to be an authentic plum pudding. I have a second-hand, much

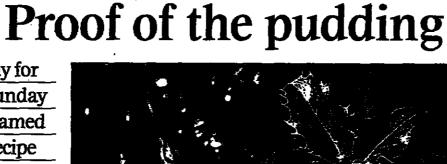
annotated copy of the original The Times Cookery Book, published in 1960. Next to the Christmas pudding recipe the book's owner has noted the cost of ingredients for the 7lb pudding mixture. In 1960 the pudding cost 29s 3d (about £1,46) and in 1961, 26s 8d, or the equivalent of about 16p per pound. Perhaps it doesn't do to dwell on such things.

> Frances Bissell's Christmas pudding (serves 8-10) 802/230g fresh wholemes

802/230g roughly chopped moscatel raisins 802/230g roughly chopped sultanas

802/230g roughly chopped dried apricos 40z/110g stoned chopped

202/60g crumbled almond acaroons or Italian amaretti 201/60g chopped almonds 202/60g ground or flaked





The genuine plum pudding: moist and not at all heavy — but possibly illegal

I peeled and grated apple 1 tosp grated orange zest l isp ground cinnamon tsp ground mace ≥ isp ground cardamom

2 tsp cloves spice الد طور د 2thsp orange marmalade or candied orange peel juice of 1 small orange 4 size 3 eggs

) miniature bottle of brandy 4 pt/140ml fortified muscat wine, port, marsala or oloroso sherry

Put all the dry ingredients in a large bowl, and mix thoroughly, either with a large wooden spoon or your hands. Put the marmalade, orange juice, eggs, brandy and wine in another large bowl or in a blender or food processor, and beat until well blended and frothy. Pour the liquid over the dry ingredients. Mix again until the mixture is moist. Cover and let it stand for a couple of hours at least, and, if possible, overnight to let the spice flavours develop. Oil or butter the pudding basin or

basins (the mixture fills a 3pt/ 1.75l basin), and spoon in the mixture. As the pudding contains no raw flour, it will not expand much during cooking. and you can fill the mixture to within 2.25cm of the rim. Take a large, square greaseproof paper, oil or butter it, and tie it over the top of the pudding basin with string.

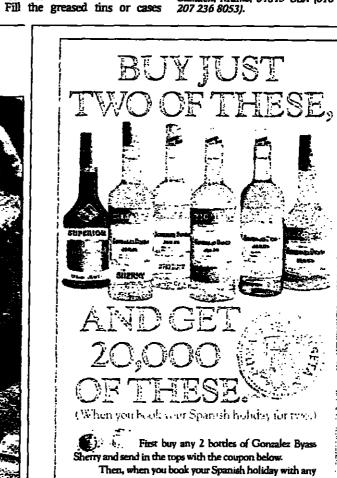
Place the basin in a sauce-

pan, standing it on a long triple strip of foil to help you lift the hot basin out of the saucepan once cooked. Pour in boiling water to reach halfway up the pudding basin, cover the saucepan, and bring it back to the boil. Lower the heat, keep water at a steady simmer, and steam the pudding for five hours. Make sure the water is kept topped up. When the pudding is cooked, remove it from the pan and allow it to cool completely before wrapping it in fresh greaseproof paper and foil. When you want to serve it. steam for a further two hours.

 SOME people think Christmas pudding should be ille-gal. Good news for them: it is. Oliver Cromwell decreed that plum puddings were "abominable idolatrous things to be avoided by Christians", and one of his statutes, never formally repealed, provided that people could be fined or imprisoned for eating or making them. Christmas pudding's origins are hazy, but it is likely to have derived from plum pottage or plum por-ridge, a fearful concoction of mutton broth thickened with brown bread. Raisins, currants, prunes and spices were added, and it was served in a

tureen like a soup. No British law now dictates what ingredients a Christmas pudding may contain, but a French coroner did once demand that safety standards should be imposed. He had just ruled that a family of three had succumbed to the fumes of an English Christmas padding.

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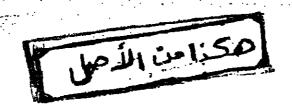
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#### RITES OF PASSAGE

## Are we past the coming of age?

There is no clear definition of our passage to adulthood, James Henderson writes

could have married at 16, but I wasn't allowed to buy a can of cider in an off-licence until I hit 18. The freedom to drive off into the sunset came at 17, but real independence of mind took many years. So when do we come of age? In many cultures it is clearly defined. You are dragged off from the childhood play-area to join the men or women, and they reveal the mystic rites and secrets of the tribe to you. In a money-based society, such as ours, the closest we have to this initiation is probably the first visit to the bank manager.

Older readers may remember receiving the key to the door at 21. Perhaps paying your first union dues was your big adult moment, or being presented as a deb at Queen Charlotte's ball. Either way. coming of age is not what it was: and we reach it younger and younger, due to an increasingly sophisticated adolescent

The state, an overgrown equiva-lent of the tribe, is quite clear on the matter, though. You get your majority when you turn 18. You become a fully paid-up member of the economic system and you can have your rights, and duties, like everyone else. You can pay taxes and you can drink in the pub. They pop a voting card in the post for you. There you are: you're a man. Thanks, you think; now what?

My eighteenth birthday party had none of the significance of a physically rigorous initiation cere-mony. It was certainly a far cry from being an ancient Roman: my mother did not call me in, give me a sword and a shield and send me off to prove myself.

There is no clear transition to warrior and eventually to wise man for today's Briton, and there are no instructions about what to do in your newly acquired personhood (the differences in rights and responsibilities between the sexes, in the workplace for instance, have been steadily eroded). One school of thought maintains that the absence of a clearly defined separation from the mother figure is the root of many later problems in human relations. A warrior without out to be a lifelong struggle — the

a clear role seems rather sterile, and could end up with a complex.

You no longer need to be physically strong to support the family and defend it; nor need you venture out and fell an antelope with your bare hands. The chequebook will do. The war ethos is still knocking around the national subconscious - the tribe may have to call on it eventually - but, generally speaking, 20th-century Brits are sedentary, and the excess of testosterone sluicing in the veins must be channelled in other

Modern warriors found their expression in the 1980s. What a time to come of age (I was 18 in 1980). It was a brave new world all right, and fighters (men or women) could carve a path for themselves. There was the cut and thrust of the dealing room, and expense accounts that were wielded as bludgeons. The key to the door was just

as likely to be the key to the GTi.
I score therefore I am — otherwise, in testosterone terms, you're a big girl's blouse. Even the vocabulary of war has crept in, with aggressive marketing strategies and corporate raiding. But man as telephone warrior, confined to expressing his virility by being fastest off from the traffic lights? Somehow it didn't answer my questions about impending manhood.

or all the schoolboy cynicism, other societies do not necessarily have any better answers in an overcrowded world. Just imagine the burden of having to be macho all the time. Some South American proto-women know exactly where they stand when they are presented to the world at the age of 15. Officially they are ready to be mated: they are on the market and have no choice. Their brothers can look forward to being led off to the brothel by their

Perhaps the loss of virginity is a form of coming of age. It certainly changes your perspective, but after the distortions of the changing room and furtive whispering, it is also an initiation into what can turn





Proving themselves: Roman gladiators fought bloody battles, but for modern warriors there is the cut and thrust of the dealing room and expense accounts wielded as bludgeous

battle of the sexes. Again, the terminology of war creeps into sexual relations; the talk is of conquest and strategy. An erogenous zone might even be an obscure part of a battlefield.

Leaving home is a significant step on the path to fully fledged adulthood. The navel string is finally severed and the wide world looms ahead. Today it means finding somewhere to live and finding somewhere to live and fending for yourself. In times past there was a brutal certainty about it: maiden was married off to

become woman and raise a family. For surplus males there were other plans. Go West Young Man!

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territory to conquer. There may have been compelling reasons for the dispersal - young lions are turned out of the pride when they become a threat to the dominant male - but travel is a recurrent theme of the passage to manhood. Australian Aborigines go walkabout, braving a harsh desert. And, though the Danes are a peaceable bunch nowadays, their ancestors are still famed for their rites of passage, when aspiring Vikings were expected to join one seaborne raid of rape and pillage.

More recently the most fortunate. Brits would complete their education on the Grand Tour, a spin around European culture to make

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them rounded men and women. Nowadays there's little left in the way of exploration - wherever you go you'll find a documentary crew beaten you to it - but it still exposes you to the inequalities of the world and helps to mould the

Your first job, of course, is an important moment in coming of age, as you move from the novitiate as the anthropologists would have it. There is no real separation and re-incorporation into the tribe, but undoubtedly it makes a person more confident to trip off in a new suit and master the skills of modern hunter-warrior. Soon you can look

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forward to your first mortgage. Passage to 20th-century man and womanhood has its difficulties, and is quite likely to set you on course for an ulcer.

Perhaps it would have been easier being a warrior, with a ceremony to mark the passage - a dousing in blood or a public whipping to show that the new man can suffer pain in silence and with it a clearly defined idea of your place in society. But it is precisely the idea of being put in your place that has been broken

This is the century of the individual, so today people are expected to define their own passage to man-

hood or womanhood. The basic key to adulthood is surely financial independence. This means the acceptance that you are a tiny, insignificant player in the agro-industrial complex. Coming of age. though, must be more than merely graduation to dutiful consumer.

In times past a boy may not have come of age unless he went to war, but I'm glad I was not expected to find full expression with an AK-47. Instead, life will be at the controls of the mahogany bomber (a desk, to a few jaded souls who still crave adventure). For all the limitations of the 20th century. I can only hope that the word processor really is mightier than the sword.

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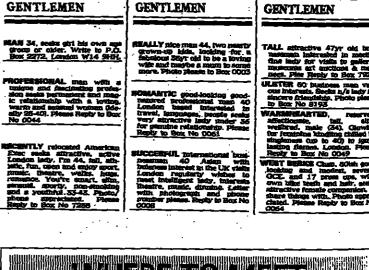
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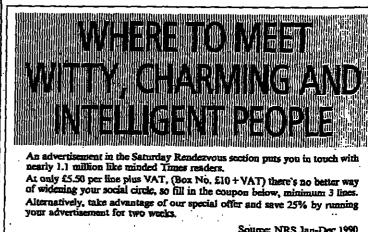
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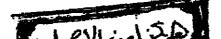
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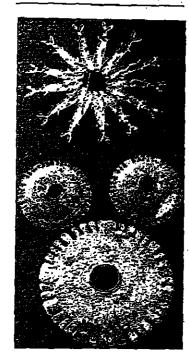
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## Suffolk packs a punch

Robin Young finds out why an East Anglian society has become

synonymous with craft excellence



Old favourites: Holly Belsher makes cast jewellery with a primitive feel to it. Her itudio is now in Bristol

uffolk has to be the craftiest county in the kingdom. If you doubt my word, take that of Lord Palumbo, chairman of the Arts Council, who has written the foreword for the current directory of the Suffolk Craft Society: "This new directory", he writes. "is the best possible way of telling more people why they should pause before they waste money on an object that is poorly designed or badly made. I commend it highly to all those who have an eye or an instinct for

Lord Palumbo has already put his money where his mouth is. He commissioned his hammock, "that most soothing of objects, beautifully woven, sturdy but lithe", from one of the society's 150 members, Jan Hopkins of Hadleigh, who more usually weaves woollen rugs. Her other unusual commissions have included providing tapestries for a barrister's office in Ipswich.

The Arts Council chairman has also invested in a bowl from another Suffolk Craft Society member, Stephen Broadley, a wood turner from Denton who specialises in using "wet" or unseasoned wood, buying whole tree trunks so

that he can select the best natural features in the wood for his pieces. made chopping boards for Hammond Innes, the author, and gavels for Phillips, the auction house.

In most counties craft, as in "craft fair" or "craft sale", is a dread word. threatening barns full of artless and tasteless tat. In Suffolk, though, the most rigorous of professional stan-membership, but only 16 managed



Quality collection: patchwork quilt by Philippa Bergson; chair by John Barrett; stool by David Gregson; basket by Will Berry; sweaters by Caroline Sullivan; rugs by Charmaine Keep; jacket and waistcoat by Anita Faithfull; rolled blind by Jacky Linney; scarves by Annabel Ridley

only by submitting examples of work for inspection by the existing members, so that they can judge "Sometimes the standard of newcomers' work makes older members buck their own ideas up," says John Brown, the society's press

At this year's selection meeting there were 27 new applicants for

dards apply. Membership of the Suffolk Craft Society can be earned required to be accepted as full members. This, society veterans said, was "a good year". In some past years the rejection rate has

As a result of this insistence upon the highest level of skills, celebrity patronage is quite commonplace for Suffolk Craft Society members: John Barrett of Yoxford made the chairs and music stands for the Aldeburgh Foundation's Snape Maltings concert hall, and fur-

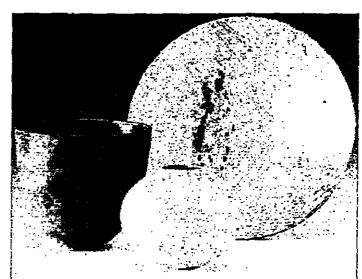
nished a "floating" staircase for the designer Michael Peter's London house; Jill Essery of Bury St Edmunds quilted and embroi-dered the jacket the author and life American publicity tour, and Frank Muir had his visitors' book rebound by Sheila Charrington of Layer Marney Tower, and commissioned a mirror framed in mahogany and ebony from Robert Townshend of Middleton, near Saxmundham.

One of the most regular customers is the novelist Ruth Rendell, who is now, appropriately, the society's patron. She says: "No one who visits my Suffolk miss the pieces that are distinctively the work of the Suffolk Craft

They include a campaign chair in dazzling patchwork by Sonia Brown of Ipswich, a unique set of gold jewellery by Holly Belsher, whose studio is now in Bristol, a



Flower bowl: Michelle Ohlson specialises in decorative clocks, mirrors and bowls, richly coloured in blues, pinks and purples



Natural shine: Stephen Broadley of Denton, Norfolk,

garden fountain by Alice Palser of Uggeshall, a batik wallhanging by Stanley Crosland from Halesworth, and a collection of brilliantly glazed earthenware by Michelle tenham. An Ohison clock, midnight blue with applied floral decoration and golden hands, even inspired a Rendell short

Miss Rendell reckons to have bought about half her Christmas presents some years at the annual Christmas shop stocked with members' work. This year, though, sne should have little difficulty taking the proportion even higher, for the society is taking more space than

rom Monday more than 100 of the society's members, including basketmakers, calligraphers, potters, cabinet-makers, glassblowers, musical instrument makers, mosaicists and sculptors, will be exhibiting at the Bury St Edmunds art gallery, Market Cross. They will be joined by a score or so from the Norfolk Contemporary Craft Society in an exhibition called Crafts are Fun for Christmas.

The Suffolk Society's annual summer exhibition at the Aldeburgh Festival this year attracted 15,000 visitors and, despite the managed to a record sales.

The Christmas exhibition will be more than twice as big. and continues until December 19, while the members' shop run in conjunction with the show will continue trading until 5pm on December 23.



hand-builds individual sculptures at her studio in Uggeshall, near Beccles

 Crafts are Fun for Christmas will take place at Bury St Edmunds Art Gallery, The Market Cross. Exhibition Nov 23-Dec 19: shop Nov 23-Dec 23, Mondays to Saturdays 10am-5pm, admission Living Crafts in Suffolk, the Suffolk Craft Society directory, is available from the society at Fairfield House South, ing P&P. The Craft Council, 44a Pentonville Road, London N1 9BY (071-278 7700), can advise about the activities of other craft societies.

## London's arty street party

#### Next weekend is 'open house' in

the Cork Street

galleries

ver since the 1930s, Cork Street in London WI has been the country's mecca of contemporary art. Nowadays, in the space of 100 yards, the visitor has a choice of 16 galleries to browse through

But British people tend to shy away from Cork Street, fearing its clinical white walls, the cut-glass accents of its gallery girls and even the art. No wonder the dealers reserve their red-carpet treatment for rich clients, who have usually flown in from abroad. Next weekend, however, the dealers of Cork Street are giving us a chance to redeem ourselves. instead of closing sharp at lunchtime on Saturday, all 16 galleries will remain open until 6pm on Sunday. The sudden hospitality may

have something to do with the current monbund market (Leslie Waddington, doyen of the street, has just announced he has written down the value of his stock by 20 per cent from £45 million to £36 million. and declared a trading loss of £2 million). The result, however, offers an unbeatable survey of contemporary art, at prices from a few hundred pounds to

On the sublime end of the scale are the abstract stripe paintings by Sean Scully at Waddington. Something of a hero among contemporary artists, Scully was recently in the news decrying the collector Charles Saatchi for offloading a quantity of paintings by him. This impressive exhibition



Meeting at the modern mecca: Cork Street galleries display their wares, from the abstract to the ridiculous

this humiliation. The ridiculous is represent-

shows how he triumphed over

ed by holograms and paintings by Alexander at the Cooling Gallery, opposite. Here, collectors can acquire a limited-edition miniature hologram of Christ for their living-room (£750), or a pretentious abstract painting called A Ritual Dance of the City and the Land entailing drips, a feather and a pile of pebbles attached to a blank carryas (E1,000). Somewhere

in the middle comes a giant rary European art, including prancing hare by Barry Flanagan, one of a stable of such bronze sculptures which Mr Waddington says he has been shifting at a great rate since lowering his prices (but only to overseas buyers).

There are mixed shows of American contemporary art at the Dennis Hotz gallery, and of 20th-century British figurative art at the Mercury. Redfern and Piccadilly galleries. The Raab Gallery will offer an overview of contempo-

artists such as the Glaswegian Ken Currie, the German A.R. Penck and the Italian Mimmo Paladino, while the William Jackson Gallery and Richmond Gallery has a line-up of 'Young Contemporaries". such as Ivor Davies and Althea Wilson.

Even when the hush descends on Cork Street again, it will never again be quite so hallowed after the arrival next Friday of Atrium Art Bookshop at number five. Run

by a trio of young women led by Shaunagh Heneage, and offering art books, postcards and seating space for browsers, Armum promises to become a centre for lively exchange, not to mention art world gossip. "People can just buy a postcard, in order to pay for their half-hour's browse," Miss Heneage says.

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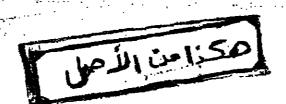
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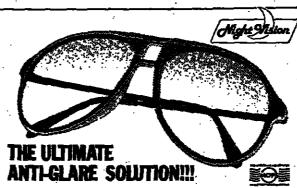
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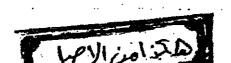
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**Penelope Dening** on the smell of the greasepaint and

other joys of amateur dramatics

r's Wednesday night. The "half" crackles over the Tannoy: beginners on stage in 30 minutes. The actors quell first-night nerves with the ritual application of greasepaint. The wardrobe mistress hurriedly glues a hem, the prop master scours the wings for a missing candlestick; in the prompt corner the stage manager checks through her sound cues as the designer fusses with the backdrop, and the director wanders round the dressing rooms dispensing last-minute advice like Henry V before Agincourt.

A West End premiere? No. Until a few hours ago the members of this particular company were busy teaching, hairdressing, diagnos-ing advising clients, pulling teeth.

There are an estimated 17,000 amateur theatre groups in Britain, ranging from the equivalent of the Ambridge players, with their once-a-year Christmas panto, to the 65strong Little Theatre Guild, whose standards and repertoire are as high as any in the country, but whose names barely rate a blip on theatre-going consciousness.

Gwen Taylor, one of the most or screen, is currently starring in Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf at the West Yorkshire Playhouse in Leeds (last night tonight). Best known for what she calls her "Crimplene queen" roles, Taylor finds the public's generally disparaging view of "am dram" incomprehensible. Her involvement in theatre began with the Marlowe Players in Derby. "I never enjoyed acting as much as when I was an amateur. It was incredibly exhilarating, and there was none of that pressure of thinking how is it going to affect my career? No matter how successful you get as a professional, the pleasure is always tempered by wondering how the critics will

"People get involved with ama-teur theatre for all sorts of reasons, for companionship, to show off.
When I first joined I was very shy,
unhappily married, and I totally undervalued myself. Then I found myself in this wonderful warm, family atmosphere. Every production has a unique excitement. There's never a sense of just

Where would you go?

taxi to Dalkey.

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Where would you stay? In the lovely little house we

or kit would you take?

What medicines would

repellent wherever I go.

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television?

phrey Bogart.

shake it off.

to have there?

back and forth.

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To Dalkey in co. Dublin, the

small town by the sea where I

grew up. I once thought it was the most boring spot on earth,

but now I am a mature person I

How would you get there?

By plane to Dublin and then by

bought 12 years ago. It is 101

Gordon Snell, writer, friend and

What essential piece of clothing

In theory I am meant to have

everything there, but I keep taking the same three jackets

and the same comfortable shoes

I am always so optimistic. I pack

sun-tan cream and mosquito

I would stop at a fish shop on the

way home from the airport and

stock up. or go to one of the 12

gourmet restaurants around Dalkey. When I was a child there

What would you have to drink?

Which books would you take to

Anything I hadn't read by Elmore Leonard, John Gris-ham, Fay Weldon or William

What music would you listen to?

Carmina Burana by Carl Orfi

and the Uileann pipes played by

Old gangster movies, starring

Edward G. Robinson or Hum-

What having would you take?

A big drum of expensive talcum

powder with a powder puff in it.

so that you par it on rather than

What piece of art would you like

A bronze sculpture by John

What souvenir would you bring

Irish cheese, which is now terrif-

ic, and packets of soda bread mix

which I buy at Dublin airport.

What would you watch on

A lot of very cold Australian

What would you have to cat?

years old and full of sunlight.

Who would be your perfect

realise that it is a great place.



Enough rope to hang themselves: director Jack Wood watches members of the Barn Theatre in Welwyn Garden City make final adjustments to a set for Tom Jones

another show. Even the audience have a proprietorial involvement they know the cast or recognise somebody's sideboard. And there's so much scope for doing what you're good at. If you enjoy painting you could end up doing a new from a window or faking a

In fact, actors represent just the tip of the iceberg. Membership of the larger amateur companies can run to five or six hundred but, of those, only 100 are interested in actually appearing on stage.

Unlike amateur orchestras or choral societies, there's no public funding for amateur theatre.

Who would be your least

waste of time

would you read?

leave behind?

deadlines.

postcard?

most like to do?

in the Western world.

Anyone from the Met Office. I

gave up listening to the weather

forecast six years ago as a terrible

What newspapers or journals

The Irish Times, the best paper

What three things would you

The map of the Underground; an unwelcome gift of a book

on long-range weather forecast-

ing, which someone gave me in

order to change my views; and

agitated correspondence about

Meet family and friends for an

evening of catching up. Go on a lovely, sunny picnic in the Wick-

low Mountains and look down

on both sea and lakes. Play bad,

noisy, talkative, good-natured bridge with like-minded friends.

To Sidney Woodward in Wat-ford who will shortly be 92, to my

old teacher Mother St Dominic

in Hastings, the best teacher in

the world, and to my cousin-in-law, Betty Snell, in Caterham.

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sages on the answering machine

• Maeve Binchy is a columnist for The Irish Times. Her latest book,

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What would you like to find

when you got home?

from friends in London.

To whom would you send a

What three things would you

MY PERFECT WEEKEND

MAEVE BINCHY

Writer

Money is generated through mem-bership, ticket sales and profits from the bar. Specialised theatre skills relating to lighting, sound and acting are passed down through succeeding generations of the keen and willing, but other, less esoteric talents are the bedrock of a company's success, from money magicians skilled in the manipula tion of loaves and fishes, to DIY enthusiasts of Noah-like stamina and invention. The visually creative handle sets and posters, the ebullient and gregarious staff front-of-house: hoarders and collectors manage set dressing and props.

Whatever the area of involvement, enthusiasm counts for more than experience. It's a generous world with none of the star hierarchy that can sour professional theatre. Above all, amateur theatre

Shan Fisher, marketing manager for Whiteley's, the hugely suc-cessful shopping mall in Bayswater, west London, joined the Barn years ago, "probably because I had just moved here and saw it as a way of meeting like-minded people."

he says having such a pressurised job can be a problem. "I can be still in a meeting at 6.30pm in London knowing that my rehearsal in Hertfordshire starts at 8pm. Sometimes I feel I'm trying to juggle 25 balls in the air at a time, but it's always worth it."

Rehearsal periods differ but usually last around two months. They fill two or three evenings a week plus Sunday afternoons, until the week before the show opens, when the pressure hots up.

The Barn is fairly typical of highprofile amateur theatres. Its programme of nine plays each season (which runs from September to May) is selected from members suggestions, the committee's aim being remarkably similar to a commercial management's, that is to achieve a balance between popular plays and more stimulating work, the familiar and the

As the recession continues to bite, casts in the professional theatre get smaller and smaller. There are no such constraints in the amateur world, and with only the RSC and the National Theatre companies now able to enjoy the luxury of experiment or large-scale revival, "am dram" is poised to break through the credibility gap.

Martin: South, a 30-year-old splicitor injust the Trust Theorem

solicitor, joined the Tower Theatre in Islington, north London, eight years ago. "The great plus of being an amateur is that you can explore every area of theatre. I've designed sets, directed, and even chaired the management committee." For the Tower's recent production of Nicholas Nickleby, as well as playing the lead, he designed the poster. In this year's panto he'll be playing bass

Standards clearly differ, but Mr South believes you should always start locally. "People tend to gravitate to their own level and in a small company, if you're good, you'll soon be taking on more responsi-bility and gaining invaluable experience."

After a couple of years with the fairly traditional Marlowe players, Gwen Taylor moved on to an avant-garde theatre-in-the-round. whose repertoire was more Pirandello and Brecht than Ayckbourn and Coward. "Whether you're acting or making costumes, you've got to feel comfortable," she says. "You



Backstage enthusiasts: Shirley and David Shaw tackle lighting and sound for the new production

musicals. It's just like finding a doctor or physiotherapist, you've got to shop around, to find a company that's right for you."

The word amateur is burdened these days with connotations of the half-hearted and half-baked. To some degree amateur theatre relishes this "pink string and sealing wax" view, where family heirlooms are appropriated as props, scenery falls over and an unclaimed tea trolley may be cannibalised as a coffin for the next show. But beneath the Heath Robinson anecdotes lies an evangelical faith in the cattle market, a hideous experience, but in amateur theatre you're value of live theatre, with training by professionals and a commitment encouraged, you're helped. And if you don't get a part it doesn't to new writing central to the ethos. matter. You don't stop eating, you And for those who do long for the limelight, it's not the dead end it can still pay the mortgage. might at first appear. Actors who started this way include Michael Williams, Jonathan Pryce, Michael Above all, there's the opportunity of great parts. A couple of years ago Ms Fisher played Maggie in

Gambon, Bob Hoskins, Donald Tennessee Williams's Cat on a Hot Sinden, Tom Courtney, lan Tin Roof. And she is about to McKellen and Kenneth Branagh. audition for Beatrice in Much Ado About Nothing. As she says: "You For a year or so after leaving university, Ms Fisher acted profescan spend your life in the professionally, but she would never go sional theatre and never get to do back: "Professional auditions are a



First nighters: Alan Southgate is made up as Tom Jones, while Bridget Allworthy tries to stay calm

#### Information on amateur theatre



The regional outfits below will provide details to interested parties of groups in their and be helpful. The Linle Theatre Guild covers the whole country and its members are or consider themselves — the premier league of amateur

Little Theatre Guild of Great Britain Marjorie Havard. 19 Ahhm Park Road Great Grimsby. DN32 OHJ (0472 343424).

Scottish Community Drama Association Maggie Gordon. 5 York Place. Edinburgh EH 1 3EB (031-557 5552).

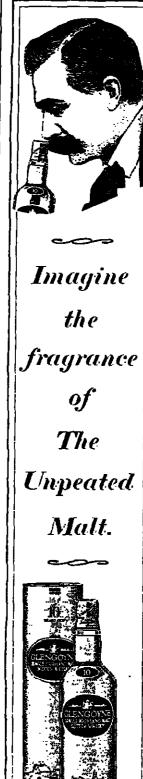


☐ Association of Ulster Drama Festivals Beth Duffin, 284 Crogagh Road, Belfast (0960 340984). ☐ All English Theatre

Festival Daphne Squire, 11 Hamboro Gardens, Leigh on Sea, Essex SS9 2NR (0702 75676).

□ Drama Association of The Library. Singleton Road. Splott, Cardiff, South Glamorgan CF2 2ET (0222 452200).

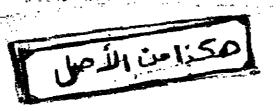
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# Taming the style of the wild ones

hursday, midnight; two motorbikes. a Norton Dominator 99 and a Triumph Bonneville, cruise across London towards Covent Garden's Tongue Kung Fu club. Tara and Kate slip off the pillion seats and the riders park up the machines, manoeuvring them into a line of other bikes, and remove their

lids. Pausing twice to admire particularly rare specimens, they all join a queue of other club-goers. Everyone is dressed in combinations of black leather and denim.

These are not serious "bikers", but all like to imagine they have just a drop of Hell's Angels blood flowing through their veins. Jumping into leathers at the end of a long day at work is a way of expressing their "wild" side. For some, bikes symbolise romance and rebellion, however stylised. They evoke film role models such as Jack Nicholson aboard a Harley Davidson in Easy Rider: Marion Brando as a moody motorcycle gang leader in The Wild One; and Mari-anne Faithful zipped into her all-in-one designer leathers in Girl on a Motorcycle.

Our "gang" met earlier at the Black Bull in Fulham. grabbed a burger in Ed's Diner, and is now heading for clubs where leather is as de rigueur as a dark suit in Annabel's. "The excitement is not just the bikes, but the whole dressing up thing," says Ben. a solicitor, whose general man-ner suggests that he would be just as happy having dinner with clients at Kensington Place. These people are not authentic bikers of the moustaches, oil-stained hands and a tin of tobacco in the back pocket variety; these are the Biker Chic, and the way they look is at least as important as the bike they ride. In short, the image counts.

"I like the look, but it is also practical from a safety point of view," says Mark, an artist. "My leathers will stop me cutting myself to ribbons if I come off. It's the same with my gloves, I'd freeze if I didn't

Next stop is Quiet Storm in Ormond Yard, where it appears that everyone is that bit more smartly dressed; high heels (the mark of style over safety) are more in evidence here, and the music is more Right Said Fred than REM. Tara works in advertising and is passionate about her boyfriend's Triumph. "Japanese bikes are more reliable, but for me it has to be a British bike," she says. "They seem more

Biker Chic has more to do with gear than gears, says Victoria Pyman: think leather, buy a bandana and listen to 'Leader of the Pack'

authentic. Harleys are beautiful, but they've become a fashion statement, bought by investment bankers to put in the garage next to the Porsche."

The high point of Tara's week is Friday night. Then she and her fellow bikers congregate on Battersea Bridge by the entrance to the park and "just hang out, it's kinda wild and great to be with people from all walks of life with one common bond. Some of the bikes there

different bike every week." Tara is not just an enthusiast, she is a fanatic, who bought her first pair of leather jeans when she was 15.

Variations on the biker's uniform are subtle. The colour of the bandana or the name on the back of the jacket appear to be the extent of the diversity. Shirts are either checked or denim, with leather or denim waistcoats, and as many layers of black T-shirts as can be squeezed on underneath (for winter warmth). Silver and copper bracelets abound, rings are unisex and important, and leather thongs wound around the wrist seem essential.

It is twenty to three. Kate and Mark are heading down to the bagel bar in Brick Lane. "We always wind up there. The bagels are so great and it's a nice ride down there at this time of night." Ben and Tara think they'll stay for a while and maybe look in at The Ministry of Sound in Elephant and Castle on their way back. I am going home to my bed, and then to American Classics first thing in the morning.

• Ministry of Sound, 103 Gaunt Street, London SEI 6DP (071-378 b528); Quiet Storm, 6 Ormond Yard, Duke of York's Street, London SWI Y6JT (071-930 2842); Tongue Kung Fu, 6-7 The Piazza, London WC2E 8HA (071-924-4052)





#### De rigueur for the biker

Learn the language standard comments on different makes will get you through most conversations (bikers err on the side of taciturnity). "A British bike? In bits in your bath, is it?" "Italian mechanics — great; shame about the electrics."

For true enthusiasts, a Schott Perfecto leather jacket, as modelled by the young (and then relatively sveite) Brando, is much coveted, but almost anywhere on the King's Road will sort you out a passable imitation. Boot up: black lace-up DMs, square-toed biking boots and knee-highs are all acceptable. Cowboy boots are also cool and can be decorated with studs and chains.

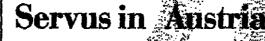
■ Get in the mood: Listen to the Shangri-Las' "Leader of the Pack", watch The Wild One, and see if you can improve on the Arlo Guthrie song rhyme: "I don't want a pickle/Just want to ride on my motorcycle" and "I don't want to die/Just want to ride on my motorcy(cle)".



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Left, Nicky wears black leather Schott Chicago police jacket, £475; black bandana, £2.50; black jeans, £29; all from American Classics, 39.8/400/404 King's Road, London SW 10.8 Black DMs, £49.95 from The Natural Shoc Store, 21 Neal Street, London WC2 (071-602 2866 for mail order). Centre, Simon wears leather Brooks biker jacket, £210, from Interstate, 17 Endell St. WC2: black leather jeans, £129, and bandana, £2.50. from American-Classics. Polo neck, £24, Thomas Pink, 35 Dover Street, WI. Right, Alastair wears black leather Avirex jacket, £370. and black jeans. £29. from American Classics.

#### TOP Left, Jo wears black leather laced jeans, £60

from the Petticoat Lane Sunday market. London El. Denim jacket, E40, American Classics. Black cowboy boots, £120, R. Soles. 109A King's Road, SW3. Simon (on bike) wears blue Levi's, £29; black Tshirt, £42.50; check shirt, from £37.50; sleeveless denim jacket, £40; all American Classics. Alastair wears black leather Avirex jacket, £370, American Classics, White Hardcore T-shirt. El 5 (mail order, 081-965 6660). Right. Nicky wears check shut. £37.50; black leather waistcoat, £59, and jeans, £129; all American Classics. Boots, £79.95. Natural Shoe Store (as before).

Left. Simon wears grey Harley Davidson sweatshirt. £42.50; black leather waistcoat. £59; denim jacker, £40; black bandana. £2.50, all from American Classics. Jo wears leather trousers as before; black denim Hardcore jacket, £70, and red Hardcore T-shirt, £15 (mail order from 081-965 6660): Ogri badges from £3.50 (071-831 8305). Red check shirt, £37,50, American Classic Black cowboy boots, £120, from R. Soles. 109A King's Road, SW3.

Styling by Victoria Pyman Hair and make-up by Mario Yarney Photographs by John Hudson







## Heavy breathing in the beams

I limbing the spiral stair-case to our attic room. the solid oak treads glearning in the afternoon light, the receptionist tempo-rarily lost her bearings among the nooks and beams and had to return to ground level for further directions. Once located, we found ourselves in an irregular room the size of a small ocean liner.

The labyrinthine Madeley Court has seen various incarnations in its 700-year history. as a monastery, country house, iron smelting business, and ruin. Its most illustrious occupant was Abraham Darby I, father of the industrial revolution, whose discovery that iron ore could be smelted with coke ushered in the modern world.
It is hard to know what he, a

Quaker, would have made of the whirlpool baths now offered in the hotel's smarter rooms. Had he lain there, being shaken and pummelled like a rush-hour passenger in a submerged tube train, it seems possible he would have switched off his blast furnace and cancelled the industrial revolution.

Next morning we woke to the sound of heavy breathing. Our large room, bisected by oak beams and furnished with antiques, was in the eaves and the door was locked. Checking the enormous bed for (unex-pected) signs of life, I tiptoed to a window and peered out. A hot-air balloon was gathering itself for flight on the field beyond the walled garden. After Henry VIII dissolved

the monasteries, Madeley Court became a country house, passing through several own-ers until it was abandoned over a century ago. The 13th-century great hall, now a splendid dining-room with huge open fire and frieze depicting the death of Actaeon, was once a blacksmith's forge and later a hay barn. English National Heritage pumped in money to make the building weather-proof, but it fought a losing battle until a local builder cum restaurateur fell in love

Martin Ebelis bought the building in 1984 and is reputed to have spent more than El million restoring it. A local

Jeremy Laurance ponders the wonders of the industrial revolution from the comfort of his whirlpool bath



Dinner coming up, eventually: room service keeps the staff fit at the Madeley Court

firm was commissioned to reproduce the natural mineral paints used a century ago and the fabrics, antique furnishings and fittings reflect the same attention to detail.

The result is a sumptuous country house, whose dark tones and hushed voices put one in mind of its monastic beginnings. The house is set in a quiet valley by a wood of sweet chesingst and oak with, at the backs a fine terrace overlooking a small lake.

The astronomic cost of the

conversion unfortunately proved too much for Mr Ebelis, who sold out to Lyric hotels. There are 16 rooms in the main house, some with four-poster beds, and a further 31 in wings that have been added.

The staff are warm, unstuffy and unobtrusive. There are two restaurants, the main one in the great hall and the more informal brasserie in the undercroft. The menu is "international" and the cooking on the grand side.

The shallot and tarragon sauce that came with my guineafowl wrapped in pastry was tangy and delicious. My companion's tournedos of beef fillet was served with an unusual gratin of apple and apricot. and accompanied by a heap of

raw garlic which defeated her. Starters were everly fussy but the cheeseboard had unusual offerings. A St Emilion at £15.50 was good value, but a Pouilly Fumé at £18.95 was disappointing. Dinner for two in the main restaurant is about

REPORT OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY

£60, including wine. In the brasserie, the cost would be about half as much. After breakfast next morn-

ing we set out, as Abraham

Darby would have done, for Ironbridge gorge.

Long after the coal mines are closed and the industrial revolution has sputtered to an end in a volley of chants and oaths, the gorge will be there to remind us how hard labour made the modern world. Once a medieval version of silicon valley, the heart of pre-indus-trial Britain, it is now a low-key British theme park which celebrates the age of iron.

ere the first iron wheel was made, the first iron rails and, most famously, the first iron bridge, which still draws visitors from around the world more than two centuries after it was built. With a passport costing £7.50. obtainable from the hotel, you can visit the six museums and three historic sites located within the six-mile gorge, although you should allow two days to do so.

On display in the Museum of the River there is a remarkable model of the gorge, showing the mine workings and iron foundries along the banks of the Severn, then an 18thcentury thoroughfare. And at Blists open air museum, you can exchange your modern devalued currency for pennies and farthings and shop for strange medicaments in the 18th-century chemists, watch iron chasers being cast, or suck ancient boiled sweets of dubious provenance. It is entertaining without being glamorised or Disneyfied.

My only cavill with the museums is that they focus on the products of labour and not enough on the lives of the labourers. When, after a long day at the blast furnace. Abraham Darby returned to Madeley Court, did he dream of whiripool baths?

• Madeley Court Hotel, Telford, Shropshire (0952 680068). A onenight weekend break including dinner, bed and breakfast, costs £55 a person sharing a double/twin room. A two-night break is £98. Prices are due to rise about 10 per cent next April.





with it.

## All along the backwater...

culling is the art of propelling yourself swift-ly through water using wo fixed paddles instead of one, if you weigh around 8lb, boast a pretty tuft of tail eathers and your paddles are lour own tiny orange webbed leet, it is the most aesthetically pleasing, indeed the most efortless, method of aquatic ravel. For people, however, culling requires slightly supe-

for skills.

For first-timers these include he stoicism to ignore badly pruised thumbs from clashing pars, an inbuilt radar for tubmerged bits of wood with normous nails protruding (an poprently indigenous feature our waterways), and in addition - and this is the easy bart - the capacity to enjoy an nting se and immediate relaheaship with any length of ever in any part of the country. The low-slung sculler in his her sleekly thin-skinned r her sleekly unit string of raft is the human eel-king of he water, an ergonomically hear-perfect creature who lides past snorting motor ruisers and grunting rowing

confidence of a duck.

Single sculling is, in fact, a much misunderstood sport. In he most basic terms, it means owing using two oars at-ached to outriggers — the bars be properly termed sculls - in 2 rudderless, pencil-shaped

lights with, very nearly, the

poat-built-for-one. You present your back to the direction in which you are heat ng. Your bottom is on a diding seat, and your feet are praced against an adjustable bar. The sliding seat vastly mproves your efficiency in evering the boat past the point at which your oar slices into the xater. To steer or turn, you avour one oar over the other. to stop - well. I haven't quite

mastered that bit. Yet while it is commonly perceived as the preserve of Nympiads or Oxbridge heartes, sculling is an inexpensive sport which is likely to hook

you the first time. All self-respecting rowing clubs have their own boats for members' use, and most allow a period of grace for beginners to rescover whether they are tuited to the sport before paying out a generally modest annual fee. The principles are astonishingly casy to grasp.

Lacking a duck's natural waterborne advantages, Jodie Tressider takes up the sculls and gets busy in the river



Messing about: Dr Tom Davies guiding Jodie Tressider

there are no upper age boundaries, and the sport requires no heroic level of fitness from beginners.

It also officially admits you to the highly congenial competi-tive world of both the summer regatta (from Henley down to the pub-side marquee and barbecue knees-up) and winter league racing events, which may be taken as seriously, or otherwise, as you wish.

As my veteran class sculling mentor, Dr Tom Davies, a lecturer in community medicine and Fellow of Gonville and Caius College. Cambridge puts it gleefully: "At our Boxing Day event the cheating is absolutely scandalous."

How to get started:

contact the Amateur Rowing

governs rowing in Britain, ar The Priory, 6 Lower Mail,

London WS 9DJ for details of

in your area. There are about

country. The more details you

level of interest etc., the more

■ What to wear: layered, close fitting clothes in winter,

and trainers. Style point: shell suits are frowned upon.

What it costs: annual

clubs with sculling facilities

250 open clubs in this

include about your age,

the ARA can help.

Association (ARA), which

for beginners is: first throw your book on sculling tech-niques overboard. Like ski manuals for novices on the slope, written descriptions of the sculling method ("the body is rocked over and against the thighs, the knees are bent with the shins not beyond the vertical . . .") do not illuminate.

A second piece of advice is not to be humiliated when offered the use of a "playboat" for your earliest outings. This is a cleverly designed, stubbier and broader-bottomed version of the hip-hugging, stream-lined, highly unstable racing scull boat.

One false move in the latter and even the moderately expe-Perhaps the most useful tip rienced sculler ends up in the

membership fees range from

membership. Few clubs have waiting lists. There are

When to scull: regartas are held Easter to September,

winter league events from

£50 to £150 - much

cheaper than golf club

extra fees for entry to

September to Easter.

■ Insurance: racing -

licence, valid for a year, is

available from the ARA for

£31.50 and offers full personal

one-day licence with full cover

cover (Elo for under-18s). A

regattas and races.

Sculling fact box

drink. But the playboat allows you to commit all sorts of sculling solecisms — whacking ducks across the bill, drifting across the path of barges without risking much more

than a wobble and a blush. I met Dr Davies, who is 54 and has been sculling since his Cambridge undergraduate days, the wrong side of 9am on a gilded, pin-bright Sunday on the river Cam. He had previously described himself as "a standard British middle-aged man, not fat, not bald". He might also have mentioned that he would be wearing a raspberry and lime-green allin-one sculling outfit. Like skiers and cyclists, scullers do have their fashion peccadillos.

Dr Davies has his own single-sculling boat — a Glyn Locke, which cost him £1,450 seven years ago and would be about double that now — and sculls every weekend. He belongs to and mainly competes in veteran races with the Cambridge Rob Roy club. "My wife thinks I work off my aggres-sion through sculling, but I like to think it's because I love the water and that I'm perhaps vain enough not to want a pot

Scullers, he says, are not necessarily solitary people. "Whole groups come together to train and race unofficially. and you're never by yourself on a university river. In fact the Cam isn't at all ideal from a sculling point of view. It's narrow, twisty and crowded.

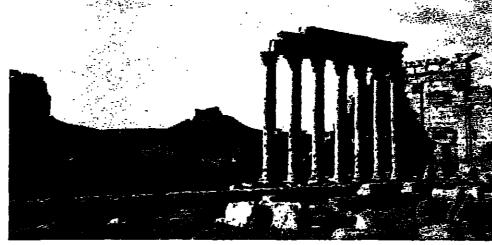
The Thames is much better." Beginners are never left on their own. Perhaps because scullers are evangelistic about their sport, enthusiastic newcomers are warmly welcomed and can rely on being helped into their craft - a teetering job the first time, but not much harder than finding your balance in a dinghy - and given basic instruction by experienced club members.

You are unlikely to scull continuously for more than a few minutes on your first outing. But when you do, when you succeed in getting the rowing and the sliding motion synchronised, when you slip almost soundlessly past frozen bulrushes set on fire by the early sun, and manage not to catch your thumbs between the oars, well, it's an effort not to stick out your tongue at a duck.

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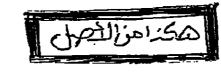
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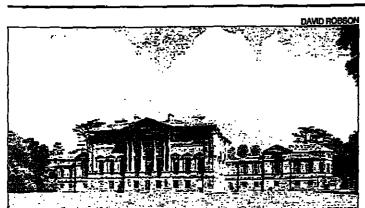
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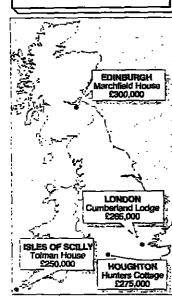
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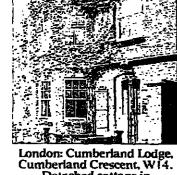


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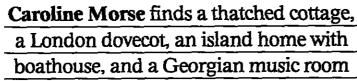


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Edinburgh: Marchfield House, Blackwall. A listed Georgian residence with two-thirds of an acre in a cul-de-sac. Five bedrooms, two bathrooms, shower and utility room, three reception rooms, music room. About £300,000. Contact Bird Semple Fyfe Ireland (031-343 2500).



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Isles of Scilly: Tolman House, St Mary's. Detached property with self-contained one-bedroom annexe and boathouse overlooking the bay. Half an acre. Main house has two bedrooms and two reception rooms. Conservatory leading to greenhouse. About £250,000. Stratton Creber is handling the sale on behalf of the Duchy of Cornwall (0872 74646).

#### Home within a home: Timothy and Jane Clifford in the drawing-room of Tyuinghame House; they bought the west wing three years ago

opsall Hall, a Palladian in 1951, one of about returned to dust since the second world war. As more and more or Distington Hall in Cumberland, have been left to decay.

A lucky few are rescued, and live on as hotels (such as Bare Wood in Berkshire) or as conference centres (Brocket Hall in Hertfordshire). Others, such as Wardour Castle in Wiltshire, become schools — from 1960 to 1989 it was home to Cranborne Chase girls' school.

While conservation groups wel-come the survival of these houses, they lament the fact that they are no longer used for their original purpose - as homes. Since the 1980s, however, an imaginative new approach has meant stately homes are becoming family homes once again. Now it is possible to live in a castle - as long as you do not mind sharing it with six other families.

Wardour Castle, for example, is to be a school no longer. It has just been sold for £1 million, virtually a third of its original asking price, to Nigel Tuersley, who plans to live and work on two floors of the central section, and to sell the rest as flats and houses.

Mr Tuersley, the managing director of an investment banking company who has no family, said he felt "very privileged. It's an amazing place. I bought it because I love the place and have no intention of re-selling it." He feels confident he will have little difficulty dividing up the house. "We won't

#### There has never been a better time to turn and moving, therefore, "was a a castle or stately pile into your home.

#### Edward Marriott reports

will leave, which will serve the flats

Prices will range from £400,000 for the seven-bedroom east wing, to £100,000 for two-bedroom flats on the second and third floors of the central section. A corner of your very own castle for the same price as a two-bedroom flat in Notting Hill. With the market for conference

centres approaching saturation, conversion is becoming more common. Certainly there is no shortage of country houses for this treatment. With the continuing recession, few families can afford to keep them on alone. Heveningham Hall in Suffolk, at £4.5 million, has been on the market since July: Herstmonceux Castle in Sussex is for sale at £5 million.

English Heritage would prefer houses not to be split into flats, but is resigned to the fact that conversion may be a house's only chance of survival. Michael Pearce. English Heritage's chief planner, says: 'Ideally, we would like the houses to remain in single ownership and occupancy. This was how they were designed and how they function best. After all, the reason why some Saxon churches survive is that they have been kept in their original

"If houses have to be converted, the best method is vertically, not horizontally. Each occupier then has the full range of rooms, from the kitchen in the basement to the servants quarters at the top of the house. We also prefer it if the be doing anything structural — house. We also prefer it if the really it will consist of knocking garden is kept in communal use;

Although the vertical approach is for Wardour Castle, it is common

elsewhere. Tyninghame House near Dunbar is a red sandstone castle dating from the 17th century. The Earl of Haddington sold the house in 1988, when it was split into ten units, nine of which have now been sold. im Clifford, the director of

the National Gallery of Scotland, and his wife Jane live in the west wing, which cost them about £300,000 three years ago. The Cliffords' house includes Tyninghame's main drawing-room. At 65ft long, it was the main reason they were attracted to the house. Mrs Clifford remembers visiting Tyninghame "years ago, long before we considered buying it, and I remember the sun pouring in through the windows and thinking it was the nearest to heaven I had seen. We realised we wouldn't have got this style of drawing-room in a smaller

There are, however, strict controls on what the Tyninghame residents are allowed to do. It is forbidden to have more than two dogs and no one is allowed to hang their washing outside. Mrs Clifford feels these rules are necessary. "It's a very elegant house - can you imagine what it would be like with our washing all over the place?"

There are disadvantages - it is impossible to drive within 200 yards of the Cliffords' front door Clifford "loves" the house

conderful house without having the wornes normally associated

Gunton Park, an 18th-century coast. He owns the eight-bedroom south wing, which he bought nine years ago, before building work was completed, for about £100,000. He lists the benefits For what I paid for Gunton we could have got a serious Norfolk rectory. But Gunton is a historic house with a fantastic parkland and conservation area. And our part has a dining room which is 30ft high and 30ft long. You'd

never get that in your rectory."

The brains behind the conversion of Gunton Park is Kit Martin. the architect English Heritage recommends Mr Martin's "sympathetic" conversions. He operates as both architect and developer, buying a house converting it and selling it on. The conversion of Gunton Park into 25 sections was finished in 1984. All sections have since been sold. Two, however, are back on the market through Strutt & Parker, Norwich Office (0603 617431): E225,000 is asked for the kitchen, now a three-bedroom house, and Mr Martin has just put his own Gunton house on the

market for £575,000. Mr Martin believes the conversion of stately homes into flats and houses is "about the only sector of the housing market that has any life in it. There are a lot of people who would like to live in a castle but do not want a whole castle, hundreds of staff, or hundreds of rooms. This is a cheap way to have

a bit of your own castle."

## In fields of lavender

ituated in the foothills of the Lower Alps, on the northeastem edge of Provence and near the medieval town of Nyons. the olive oil capital of France, this restored village house (right) is for sale at FFr300,000 (about £30, 100). Close to several winter ski resorts, it is also 90 minutes' drive from the international airport of Marseilles and the Mediterranean

The stone-built house is larger than average and in a good state of repair, with mains water, electric storage heating and masses of character, says Nigel Paige, of the agents Authentic France.

It has a living-room, with open stone fireplace, kitchen/diningroom, three bedrooms and a modernised bathroom; plus vaulted cellars, a small garden and an adjoining ruin.

The lavender-filled département of the Drôme, on the other side of the river Rhone from the Ardèche. remains undiscovered by British holiday-makers and househunters, and property prices are low. It has a warm, dry, Mediterra-



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nean climate, and is easily reached by the A7 motorway to Montélimar, or by plane to Marseilles, Montpellier or Lyons.

The area around Nyons is characterised by its terraced hills, vineyards and lavender fields, and by its fortified villages perched on rocky escarpments.

Old, sun-bleached stone houses in the small hilltop towns and fillages, set among the olive groves surrounding Nyons, can be picked up for a fraction of the price of those more established parts of

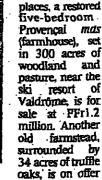
Most of the properties have mains water, drainage and electricity, but usually lack any type of



Character: a restored village house at FFr300,000

garden. For FFr150,000 you can buy a small, restored village house, with one bedroom, kitchen and bath, with exposed stone walls, open fireplace, garage and wine cellar. Larger town houses, ready to move into, with two or three bedrooms, balconies or sun terraces, cost from FFr230,000.

Unrestored Provencel farmhouses, with five or six rooms, and outbuildings suitable for conversion to gites, start at FFr350,000. But expect to pay at least FFr600,000 for a habitable home. with an acre or two of vines or



at FFr900,000

beautiful, remote

- or FFr4.2 million with the truffle orchard. Prospective purchasers who are worned about the drop in sterling against the French franc should bear in mind that property prices in rural France are always negotiable. In areas where British buyers have. until recently, been the driving force, sellers will often accept offers, in some cases 15 to 25 per cent below asking prices.

CHERYL TAYLOR Authentic France, Anvil Comage, Stourton Caundle, Sturminster New ton, Dorset (0963 63504).

How to win prizes for keeping quiet

Finding it difficult to keep the children amused during the long, dark evenings? The answer, Jane Bidder says, is to get them hooked on competitions

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'I've won'?

The chance of winning something for nothing. apart from a little knowhow, is always attractive. and provides an opportunity for children to prove their artistic or verbal skilis

What better confidence booster than for a child to be able to cry, "I've won"? And what an exciting way to while away the long, dark, winter evenings.

Competitions can also provide an incentive to learn such things as why the Harrier jump jet was so named (see the Natural Science Museum quiz), and they allow young minds to let their imagination run riot (see the

Halifax competition: What would you do if you were Home Alone?). Below (with the help of my three children). I have tracked down the most exciting competitions for timies through to teenagers. So now is the time to sharpen their pencils and your wits and get

cracking on a competition that could bring a worthwhile prize. Artistic writers can show off their

calligraphic skills with the Osmiroid Spirit of the Letter Compention, run by Berol. There are four entry classes, from designing a small poster to producing a notice for a nature trail. Prizes include a calligraphic weekend and equipment. Closing date May 31 1993. Age ten upwards. Entry forms from Berol, Oldmeadow Road, Kings Lynn. Norfolk PE30 4JR.

• Babies too young for most competitions can pose for a photograph to enter Mothercare's Happy Faces competition in either the 0-18 months category, or 18 months to five years. Running in selected stores throughout Britain. the competition prizes include a family holiday for four to Euro Disney in Paris. video camcorders and vouchers. Ring Paintbox Por-traits on 0722 412202 to find your nearest store competition.

• Colour a pantomime scene in Snap magazine (December issue) and win a Sega Master system, or one of 20 mystery Christmas stockings for runners-up (closing date December 14). Or, in the same issue, answer a simple ourstion about a children's illustrator and win one of 20 chocolate selection stockings plus parry tapes. Or, again. complete a sentence about Disney's Basil the Great Mouse Detective and win one of five videos. Closing date for these two competitions is December 20.

• Canny comp: Enter the Heinz Spaghetti competition by filling in the prize draw form (inside the label) to What better win one of 1,000 confidence tems II (are we the only family not to

> Young writers: Look out for the Royal Mail Young Letter Writer competition - leaflets available in post offices at the begin-

have one?). Closing

date November 27.

ning of January. The theme is still to be decided: last year's subject was anything "green". Prizes range from £100 for regional winners to £400 for national winner. Closing date: first week in April.

• Family holiday: Parents would would be delighted if a child won a week's holiday in Boston for a family of four - the first prize in Harrods Freedom Trail in-store competition. The competition starts on December 14, when Father Christmas arrives (free admission to grotto) and ends December 24. Entrants (under the age of 12) have w answer questions on New England landmarks.

■ Camera caper: Prove your photographic skills by taking a photograph (with your own camera or someone else's) and win a trip to the Wimbledon tennis next summer by joining the Halifax Building Society LittleXtra Club. Other competitions, detailed in the free club magazine, include identifying three



road signs to win a Corgi garage. and completing a puzzle to pocket one of 30 Where's Wally? videos. Open to children under 11. Older children can enter the Halifax Quest club competitions: teasers include describing the first thing you would do if you found you were Home Alone. There are 20 videos as prizes. Closing date for all entries is March 29. Children can join the clubs at any Halifax branch by opening an account.

 Make your own television commercial for Sega games and see the finished product on ITV next Easter. To be done in conjunction with your child's school. Teachers can send for a teaching pack (the project can be part of the National Curriculum requirements for business/media studies). For 14 to 16year-olds only. Forms available from Nicki Harris, CBH & Partners, 30 Bedford Square, London WC1. The many prizes include wide range of Sega goods. Closing date: January 30.

Ouiet please! Children will need to think if they are going to win the Petit Bâteau wordsearch puzzle at Harrods children's wear department. First prize is a set of underwear from PB's Christmas collection. Runners-up receive Tshirts and badges. Age range: up to eight and eight to 16 years. Closes November 28. Children (four to ten and 11 to 16) can also win £100 of David Charles Fairbanks clothes by designing a party outfit at Harrods children's wear. This competition

doses on December 19.

• Reach the heights and win a kite (or a free meal simply by entering) with a McDonalds/Science Museum competition in Brompton Road or Knightsbridge, London. Entrants answer five questions (e.g., Why is the Harrier jump jet so called?). Closes November 30.

 Other McDonalds competitions include designing an environmentally-themed collage (Stourbridge branch) with a prize trip to the

Natural History Museum in London (ends December 4), spot the difference at Luton McDonalds (ongoing), or write about "What I want for Christmas" in Middlesbrough (closes December 11).

 Scribble a few lines about yourself and send in your picture to Mandy & Judy comic for its Reader of the Week competition. The winner receives a range of Polly Pocket Pretty Me cosmetics.

Telly addicts can win prizes every Sunday morning by watching BBC's But First This programme for children, 7.30am-12pm.

• Under six year olds can design a Christmas picture in any medium and win Bluebird toys, including Jumbo Fun Plane. Big Red Fun Bus. Big Yellow Teapor, with teasets and lunchboxes for runners up. Watch Children's Channel on satellite/cable TV (8.45-10.45am and 1-3pm) or — if you don't have satellite - send entries to: Christmas Picture Competition. Jack in the Box. Children's Channel. 9-13 Grape Street London WC2H SDR, Closes December 7,

 Watch out for a different competition every Saturday on Going Live! (BBC 9am-noon). Recent programmes have included answering questions to win lunch on the televised Brookside set.

 Adopt a chimp by answering a true/false question about chimpanzees in the Woolwich Building Society's Kids Club magazine (details below). You can then be the official adoptive owner of a fourlegged pet at the Chimp Rescue Centre in Wareham, Dorset Less zoo-minded readers might prefer tamer prizes from the Woolwich, such as The Guinness Book of Records (answer multiple choice questions) or a board game (spot the odd one out). Entry forms are in the company magazine, which is sent to you after opening an account for \$1. Under-12s only.

#### Events

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☐ Viking weekend: A hands-on experience of prehistoric Scandi-navia, devised by two Swedish for seven to 12-year-olds. The workshops aim to show how music earured in Villing life. Barbican, Sill Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Sat. Sun. 1-3pm

☐ Ahmal and the Night Visitors: An introduction to opera for fiveyear-olds and upwards. A cast of 21 singers (from Opera South) tell the story of the Three Kings' visit to a crippled shepherd boy. Jackson's Lane Centre, 369a Archway Road . No 1081-340 5226). Today, 11am. ☐ Art workshop: An over-threes

workshop creating pop-up Christmas cards. Bethnal Green Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Road, E2 <sub>(</sub>081-980 2415), Today, Ham-Ipm 2-4pm.

☐ School Proms: The Albert Half's annual Music For Youth concerts with 15,000 players. Albert Hall, SW7 (071-823) (1998), Mon-Wed, 7pm.

NATIONWIDE

Breaking boundaries: The Irish thearre company Wet Paint Ans explores issues of sexuality relationships in Tangles. blending dance drama, music. lyries (for over 14-year-olds). Ardhowen Theatre. Enniskillen (0365 325440).

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☐ Didoor railway. Two grants of the steam age, the Britannia (No 70000) and Duke of Gloucester No 71000), both standard 4-6-2 Pacific locomotives, will be in steam over the weekend and enine ndes

Didcot Railway Centre. Oxfordshire, Today, tomorrow, Ilam-1pm.

☐ The Witches: Playwright David Wood, working with the talented illusionist Paul Kieve, adapts Roald Dahl's tale about some learsome witches who plot to annihilate the world's children. New Victoria Theatre. Pcacocks Ans Centre, Woking, Surrey, (0483 701144), Tues-Sai, 7pm: mats Tues, Thurs, Fri 2pm: Sat. Ham and 2:30pm. ☐ The Snow Queen: A roo-pupper show based on Andersen's fairy tale, with live music and voices. Puppet Theatre, Whitefriars, Norwich (0603-629921), today,

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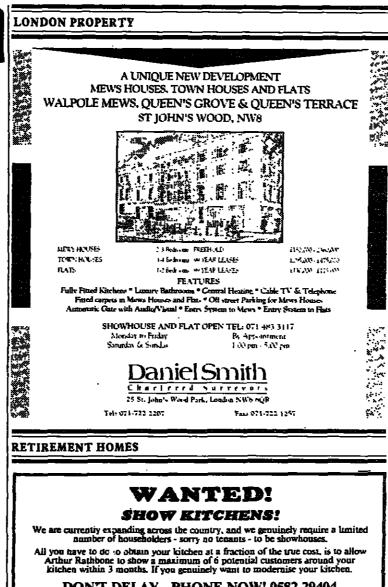
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VIRGULE (b) A thin sloping or upright line, occurring in medieval MSS as a mark for the cresura or as a punctuation-mark (frequently with the same values as the modern comma). Now in more general use. From the diministrice of the Latin rings a rod or wand: "The technical name of the sort slanting stroke between and/or in the device is virgule."

CYPRIAN (a) Licentious, lewd, applied by hypocritical Victorian values to pro-stitutes, because Cyprus was famous in ancient times for its worship of Aphrodite or Venus. She was born out of the fourn there: "The expenses of these poor Cyprians were not diminished in the same proportion as their gains."

GALIMATIAS (b) Confused language, meaningless (alk, nonsense, a word on a outused inguage, meaningness talk nonsense, a word of unknown origin first found in the 16th century; Addison. Spectator: "The great Carity was filled with a kind of Spong, Substance, which the French Amatomists call Galimatias, and the English, Nonsense."

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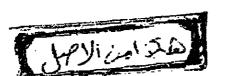
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## Paint the dull months with living colour

Francesca Greenoak visits a small grower

with big ideas on chrysanthemums

provide a regular bright spot in the late-season shows run by the Royal Horticultural Society and, after admiring the blooms for years, I visited the nursery, which is owned by the O'Brien Baker family.

Reaching the outskirts of Martiesham village, I had no difficulty locating them: brilliant strips of colour led the eye to the farmhouse, which is home and headquarters for this family firm.

After a few sharp early frosts, it was interesting to see the chrysanthemums that stood up best to the weather. I liked Anne, a peachypink Korean chrysanthemum with bunches of knee-high, semi-double flowers, and Joan, daintier and very full-petalled in dusky pink. Maureen Burrows (née O'Brien

Baker) and Janet Dale, the head nurserywoman, who showed me around, also recommended the sherbet-lemon double Moonlight, and the brighter, single Wedding Sunshine for weather resistance

and late flowering.

The lower field is the main growing ground for the Korean and the smaller Bird chrysanthemums. Standing in the autumn sun, among the shimmering gold, pink, bronze and peach was like being on a carpet of rich antique colours. The 60 or so varieties display an enormous and subtle vocabulary of differentiation in colour, petal density, shape and

I have always been fascinated by the so-called spoon-petalled form, where the petals are shaped like small, dainty quills. There were also dainty pompons, singles with gold daisy-like centres, and fluffy doubles, with their centres completely obscured. I much prefer the shape and neat proportion of these chrysanthemums to their outsize mophead relations.

In addition to growing for shows and mail-order, the O'Brien Bakers sell cut flowers from the nursery

tuysanthemums from a and supply local florists with small nursery in Suffolk blooms raised in their poly tunnels. The cuttings, pot plants for the shows and the exquisite, minichrysanthemums are also grown under cover. With chrysanths grown in pots the blooms remain perfect, whatever the weather, and can also be raised for display so you can see, close-to, the individual beauty of the flowers.

I wanted half the stock but in the end chose three: Bronzetti, with the crimson-red buttons, Salurose, similar but with a suffused deep pink, and Bertos, which has unusual long-petalled single bronze-gold flowers floppy stars. All three will be at the RHS show this week at Vincent Square in London.

These pretty Bird pot chrysanthe-mums flower for several weeks indoors and, being fairly hardy, may be planted outside afterwards. Mrs Burrows grows them on for two or more years in her cold Suffolk garden. They grow taller and more bushy after the first year and bloom over a long season, especially if dead-headed.

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**GARDENING** 

Autumn glory: Maureen Burrows with her Bird chrysanthemums

firmed into a pot of compost. Father and son Daniel and Ian O'Brien Baker were away at a show, but I talked to Mrs Ida Baker, who is in her eighties and a nurserywoman all her life. She recalled meeting her husband while working for Amos Perry in the famous Enfield nursery in

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Until this morning, it did not occur to me that this might ever be on the cards. Indeed, I had rarely toyed with intimations of immortality at all. You don't, in this business: you write it, they print it, a cheque comes along after a bit, and that's about the top and bottom of it. It is not Paradise Lost. People do not wrap cod in Paradise Lost. Nor have I ever done anything out of this business, either, to ensure that mine would be a name to all succeeding ages bless'd: I have not invented a major milk stout, founded a great heel-bar chain, discovered a new route to the Indies, ridden a Derby winner, or assassinated any archduke you've ever heard of, and my theory of relativity is rarely the subject of serious discussion when leading physicists foregather. In short, until this morning, the thing being shaved in the mirror belonged to one whose pages page with in water. whose name was writ in water.

And then, mere moments after I had towelled that thing off, the post arrived. It contained a letter from Mr Peter Howell of Twickenham. Mr Howell was offering me immortality. After I had read his letter twice, I went out into the road with my surveyor's chain and measured 318 feet along it. Then I looked up into the sky, which is the point at which I have

rarely felt stranger. Because I had to attempt to imagine what it would be like to see a new-laid egg descending out of that sky towards me. Once I had done that, I had to imagine what it would be like to catch the egg. How fast would it be going? How would I reduce the risks attendant upon its contact with my hands? How, in short, could I be better than Jyrki Korhonen, so that Peter Howell could be better than Risto Antikainen?

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hat they have also remained is a source of unswerving commitment on the part of Mr Howell. Mr Howell has for years dreamed getting into The Guinness Book of Records by being the best man in the world at throwing an egg. He has been practising since 1988. How many eggs have been scrambled in pursuit of that dream his letter does not say, but what it does say is that it was all a question of coming up with a new technique for rifling the egg through the air. This he has recently perfected; he has thrown several new-laid eggs over 330 feet. And he is now ready for someone to catch them, because only if one is caught intact will his

record be ratified. He does not want just anyone to catch it, either. As he points out, any schoolboy cricketer could handle the job. Peter wants what

he flatteringly calls "a personality to do it, so that he will garner the publicity his years of eggy effort so manifestly deserve. God knows how long it took him to get down as far as me, I should like to see the replies he received. sequentially, from the Princess of Wales, Frank Bruno Jimmy Tarbuck, Nicholas Parsons. Antonia de Sancha and so on, but here we are, he had got to me, and, well, yes, he had got to me. I was on the hook. I rather fancied my chances.

o, after I had returned from cringing at what 318 feet looked like, I went to the fridge and took out an egg. I didn't know whether its rather optimistic sell-by date disqualified it from being new-laid (if Risto and Jyrki took a hen with them and waited for it to deliver, the book does not say), but it would do for a dummy run, and I was encouraged to find that I could bung it about 20 feet up and catch it again, so far so good, but multiply that by 15, think about the 32ft per sec, per sec stuff we used to grapple with in 4b and who knew, it might be going like a bullet. I've read those strangebut-true tales about feathers being blown through sheet steel in earthquakes, pause for thought was called for. Would the game be worth the candle? Might I be egged to death?

Furthermore, in glancing at my 1991 book again, I noticed the category into which the event fell: Miscellaneous Endeavours. As these also included Longest Flute Marathon, Largest Jumble Sale. Fastest Psychiatrist, Most People on Pillar Box, Biggest Ball of String, Furthest Spitting, and Man Most Frequently Struck by Lightning (Roy Sullivan of Virginia, seven times, poor bastard). I was forced to accept that eggthrowing was not quite up there with First Man On Moon; but, then, nor was I, and can't be now. and will have to take such immortality as seems achievably on offer.

So I'm writing back to Mr Howell to tell him it's on. The venue is Richmond Park, and since we have to make the attempt fairly soon to get in the 1994 edition, those of you wishing to spectate this event know where to go and what to look for. Two grown men, 320 feet apart, with an airborne egg somewhere be-tween them. And if one of them is covered in yolk, you'll know we haven't quite cracked it yet.

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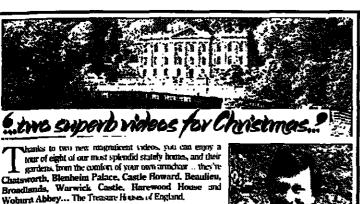






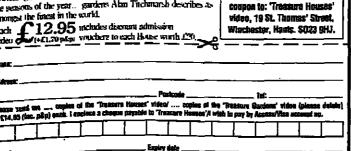


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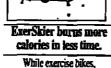
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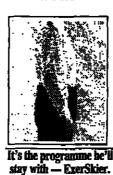
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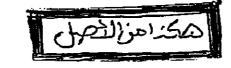
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ROCK RECORDS: David Sinclair finds crazy psychedelic diamonds in a Pink Floyd retrospective

## A source full of secrets

f ever a group saw the era of digital sound recording com-ing, it was Pink Floyd. Their penchant for extended "conceptual" pieces and their skill in moulding a panoply of sonic textures into an evocative musical whole is ideally suited to CD, yet dates back to

the group's earliest recordings.

Shine On, [EMI 80557 2; eight discs), a boxed set retailing at about £110. represents the heart of the Floyd legacy (more or less). all digitally remastered to modern stan-dards of perfection. The classics are here, naturally — Dark Side Of The Moon, Wish You Were Here and The Wall (two discs) — and there is a highly desirable "bonus" ten-track disc, which incorporates all the early singles and B-sides, as well as a hardback book and other trimmings. However, the absence of the band's outstanding debut, The Piper At The Gates Of Dawn, is a grave and mysterious shortcoming.

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Like so many of the prototype rock bands of the 1960s. Pink Floyd's work has turned out to have a curious and unexpected resonance in the 1990s. Their original acid-spiked vision of rock as a vehicle for interplanetary flights of the imagination has clearly influenced acts like the Orb, whose chart-topping "ambient house" album U.F.Orb is perhaps the logical outcome of the textural. impressionistic approach which Pink Floyd pioneered on the two earliest albums in this set, A Saucerful of Secrets and Meddle.

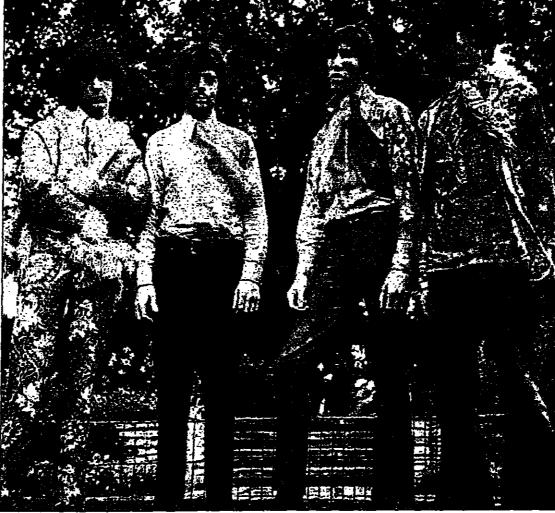
The odd genrus of the Floyd was in creating coherence from often random or even chaotic raw materials. At times this produced some pretty meaningless and pretentious extravaguided, as if by some divine, slowmoving hand, towards a distant vision of excellence.

Chris Rea conjures an almost Floydian mood of languid perfection on the long sweeping guitar introduction to "Nothing to Fear", the first track on his impressive new album God's Great Banana Skin (east west 4509-90995-2). Rea's voice gets gruffer, his guitar sound creamier and his mood bleaker with each

successive releas The tone of this collection is set by "90's Blues", a stately expression of melancholia underpinned by a discreet string arrangement and an intriguingly off-track instrumental passage. It is music which chimes perfectly with the worries and needs of a middle-aged generation seeking an expression of its woes set to music of a slower metabolic rate than the rock 'n' roll of its youth.

eanwhile, the former voice of that same generation. Bob Dylan, is now a man so out of joint with the times that it hurts. Good As I Been To You (Columbia 472710 2) is, incredibly, the first since Bob Dylan, his 1962 debut, to feature the master's voice accompanied by nothing other than his own acoustic guitar and harmonica.

The 13 titles — all traditional folk songs, such as "Frankie and Albert" and "Little Maggie" - are given the one-take, rambling, shambling. gotta-clothes-peg-on-muh-nose treat-ment that will surely prompt an involuntary wince from even the most diehard of fans. A chance hearing of "She Belongs To Me" on the radio



**ARTS** 

Groovy, or what? The early Floyd (from left) Rick Wright, Nick Mason, Roger Waters and Syd Barrett

the other day was a timely reminder both of the magnitude of Dylan's former brilliance and of the depths to which he has sunk with this embarrassing farrago.
In the wake of Nirvana's multi-

platinum success, the specific gravity of mainstream rock has increased by several tons. Groups that used to sound respectably heavy — Aerosmith, Bon Jovi, Van Halen even — now seem comparatively lightweight, while a new generation of acts such as Pearl Jam, Alice In Chains and an evolved Metallica have moved in to the middle ground with a guitar sound that even three

years ago would have limited their

appeal to the specialist headbangers end of the market.

Stone Temple Pilots, a four-piece from Los Angeles, are the latest contributors to this process. Their estimable debut, Core (Atlantic 7567-824 18-2), is an inspired piece of work that adds the occasional acoustic guitar ballad ("Creep") and a few knuckle-crunching jazz-rock progres-sions (notably "Sin", with its Allan Holdsworth-style guitar soloing) to essentially the same mix of melody and muscle that has served Pearl Jam. and the others so well.

It is a strange irony that although these acts all owe their existence to one British band, Led Zeppelin, they are without exception American. Rather like tennis, we have invented the game but failed to bring on any new stars. In fact, the only UK group of any substance to buck the mend is

the Belfast trio Therapy? Therapy?'s third album, Nurse, (A&M 540 044) combines a scalding punk-metal guitar tone with some quirky arrangements, and a deeply morbid sense of humour. Produced by Harvey Birrell, the collection is not as focused as those of its American counterparts, but tracks such as "Teethgrinder", "Nausea" and the epic "Gone" conceal an imaginative. inquisitive quality beneath a brutish

## Surreal setting for Strindberg

Stockholm

performed at the Barbican's Scandiest tomorrow. As a grand finale to their choral weekend. Sweden's Eric Ericson Chamber Choir will sing "The Wind's Lament", a great chorus of socio-ecological mourning which could have been written yesterday, but in fact is lifted straight out of

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Dream Play. The chorus, a powerful selfcontained : s taken from the denoue-

Strindberg's

ment of a opera which is this month's hottest ticket in Stockholm. Ingvar Lidholm, the 71-year-old father-figure of contemporary Dream Play for his first fulllength opera, a work which in many ways represents a summation of his life as a

composer.
Lidholm's Dream Play is something of a tour de force, and something of a paradox too. His own libretto skilfully and imaginatively cuts Strindberg down to size by no less than 60 per cent of the play's text. Yet Lidholm has rejected the obvious opportunity to compose a taut chamber opera, and, instead, written the grandest of grand operas.

Musically, all the strands of his eclectic life of composition come together in powerful synthesis: the sound world of Bartok, the contrapuntal toughness of Hindemith, the

characteristically "northern" strange and haunting characteristically "northern" new choral work will be freezing and thawing of harmonic dusters. Dramatically, Gotz Friedrich and his design er Peter Sykora, have devised massive and virtuoso scene changes for each corner of the troubled world of man visited by the god indra's daughter. Despite the definess of these scene changes - from vast

planetariom, to surreal degree ceremony, to theosophical **OPERA** symbolic Fin-PREVIEW gai's Cave, to music-hall A Dream Play sanitarium Royal Opera

> more effective a near-vestigial setting would have been. Stringberg wanted his characters and scenes to "evaporate, condense, disperse and assemble" as they do, so effectively, m Lidholm's music.

But Lidholm wanted a rattling good show, and that is what they have achieved. En-thusiastically conducted by Kjell Ingebretson, smongly cast with Hakan Hagegard and Hillevi Martinpelio (alternating with Eva Osterberg) in the lead roles of Officer and Daughter, and with Lidholm's choral writing realised in ourstanding sung and staged choral numbers, this Dream Play is a powerful re-creation of Strindberg's surreal see-saw of cynicism and compassion.

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## Gently does it

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JAZZ RECORDS

ile Parker, Frank Morgan went off the rails in the mid-1950s, succumbing to herom addiction and embarking on a lifestyle which led to spells in such academies of the fine arts as San Quentin.

All this, of course, makes for colourful copy, but it should not obscure the fact that he has emerged as a supremely lyrical alto saxophonist.

When he made his comeback about seven years ago he was still being talked about in terms of Parker's influence, tempos have slackened considerably and a more pensive cheers for that the world already has more than enough Parker clones.

Morgan's A Lovesome Thing was one of my favourite recordings of 1991. With You Must Believe in Spring (Antilles 314-512- 570), the introspection is taken a step further in a series of ballads per-

pianists: Kenny Barron, Tommy Flan-

agan. Barry Harris, Roland Hanna and Hank Jones. The collection is deverly programmed, each pianist playing a solo number before Morgan steps in for a duet While the opening shot — Barron's interpretation of "But Beautiful" - is a skittish excursion around the keyboard, the pieces that follow have greater depth. It is no surprise that Flanagan takes

the honours. As for Morgan, his playing barest whisper. As he nudges his way through each song, the phrasing is so frail and spare that you are afraid he might disappear in a wisp of smoke. Left exposed like this, most saxophonists would be tempted to hide behind lavish ornamentation and abrupt tempo changes. Morgan sim-

ply lets his instrument sing. CLIVE DAVIS

# Cheryl Studer: complete Violetta

#### Cases of conspicuous consumption **OPERA RECORDS**

ompeting Traviatas arrive this month to join shelves already well stocked with Verdi's opera. DG (435 797 2, 2 CDs) turn to James Levine and The Met in New York, bringing out the heavy artillery led by Cheryi Studer and, on loan from Decca, Luciano Pavarotti. Teldec's recording (9031 76348-2, 2 CDs) is London-based with the LSO on the label. Edita Gruberova and Neil Shicoff are the lovers who should never have met across a

crowded Paris salon. Levine and The Met's orchestra go for a febrile Traviata. Right from the start, time appears to be running out for all concerned. The strings in particular are full of nervous palpitations, at times skittering through the music, although Levine draws exquisitely refined playing from them in the Act III prelude.

Studer's Violetta is made of sterner

stuff, a big soprano and full of defiance as she declares her independence in "Sempre libera". Studer now conveys a great deal of emotion in her singing, never more so than as the offended woman at Flora

Bervoix's party. the coloratura with ease and showing the right mixture of fight and despair in the final act.

A pity, then, that the Germont family could not show similar character. Pavarotti's Alfredo has its moments, mainly loud ones as in the impassioned return to Violetta before "Parigi, o cara". But in that duet the voice sounds dry, as it does sometimes elsewhere, and this will not rank among his most persuasive

Juan Pons, as Germont Père, has

vocal richness, but never rises above an overall blandness. The barely suppressed fury with which Giorgio Germont should address Flora's party guests has the satisfied tones of a company chairman opening a comfortable AGM. Several of the sup-

Rizzi opts for a far lighter and often more delicate orchestral touch on Teldec. His Traviata is more intimate, at times even ironic when Verdi deliberately uses tawdry music offstage to counterpoint the on-stage drama. He lacks the grand gestures for the second scene of Act II, but otherwise this is a most auspicious debut for his new recording

Gruberova's Violetta is more fragile than Studer's and the Teldec engineers, anxious to extract the last ounce of pathos, sometimes make her all but inaudible, especially in her confrontation with Alfredo's papa. But Gruberova knows all about this part and she is equally capable of handling the introspection of "E strano", and the vocal fireworks which follow as Violetta reclaims her freedom — temporarily.

Shicoff, despite a slight sob in the infatuated Alfredo. Giorgio Zancanaro carries all the gravity and understanding that Pons lacks in Act II, as Giorgio Germont's disdain of

Violetta changes to grudging admira-tion. Silken singing.

A well-chosen supporting cast make this an attractive proposition. But first choice among recent sets still goes to Kleiber on DG, with Cotrubas and Domingo unsurpassed as the victims of salon life.

JOHN HIGGINS

#### Martin Hoyle sits uncomfortably through two plays PREVIEWS FROM 1 DEC • OPENS 14 DEC Trouble among the cheeses

WRITING scripts for The Archers has affected Louise Page's style. A new play from the author of Salonika and Golden Girls, winner of the J.G. Grein Critics Circle Award, should be a great event. But laboured plotting, inconsistent characterisation and a cursory nod to stereotyping bespeak the radio soap.
Disappointment is the keener since Page introduces an unusual theme - the illegal market in protected birds — into a new variant of the old north-south, rich-poor dichotomy. The southerner in this depressed north Midlands town is himself firstgeneration rich, insecure, still in trade, though these days his business lies in a delicatessen shop rather than industry. His passion for breeding hawks leads to stealing eggs from the nest in a derelict factory; and

The plot is full of puzzles. Even if one reconciles a pover- various capacities — gardener,

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ty-stricken working-class area with the delicatessen-buying public, the individual characters seem incomplete or con-tradictory. An actress as intelligent as Gillian Bevan struggles to make sense of the near impossible honesty, uprightness and shining virtue of the working-class heroine.

The uncertain focus is

summed up in a scene where the well-meaning southerner Outo (why Outo?) introduces her to the joys of his food shop and she protests the only cheeses she knows are cheddar, cheshire and that old proletarian standby, brie. Again, it stretches credibility

that Otto could employ half the local council estate in char, shop assistant, thief — without their knowing about the others or his realising their

relationships.

The tragedy is that the play might say something about money corrupting and good intentions reeking havoc: but it emerges as an admonitory anecdote about the destruc tiveness of delicatessen owners in the north Midlands.

Tanya McCallin's stylishly brooding set is backed by a vast, blotched rock face, transformed into the crumbling factory in Act II. Patrick Sandford directs a fine cast, though Michael Simkins fails to fill in the blank of Otto's warm and rueful personality makes Ono's rich bitch girl friend too nice. Thomas Craig does what he can with Marie's estranged husband who casually assumes his wife is on the game; and little Alex Scott is splendid as the young son who

Ours is a real decadence, summed up by of Madonna and the porcelain pornography Robert Hewison, in The Culture, asks whether seeds of

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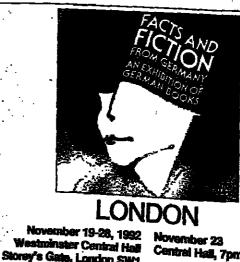
Margaret, Paul and Eileen are friends. Their three bedrooms are visible on the set by Sania Jurca Avci and a host of theatre design students, Margaret is neurotic, vague and Abduction

hard-bitten and given to making leaden wisecracks. Paul fancies her, is fancied by Margaret, and plays the trumpet in his underpants.

Margaret is the first to receive a mysterious visitor. He simply appears in her room, in overcost, trilby, gloves and scarf. For most of the time he sits and watches. Occasionally he addresses her in the plummily soothing tones of the vicar in The Archers. Intoxicated by this, she pulls up her skirt, tugs

down her pants, and plucks at The others are each visited by an identically dressed stranger. Paul, waking naked

in bed, reacts hysterically as if under sexual threat. Eileen rages. She remains the only one not to give in; for even Paul resigns himself to the silent interloper and, still naked, takes up the trumpet again after sticking in a mine. The three friends quarrel. Understandably depressed, or possibly bored, the visitors depart, leaving their hosts wistfully aware of some sort of loss and the audience numbly. aware of how long 75 minutes



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7.00 Champion the Wonder Horse. Children's drame (r) (4306247)

7.30 Spider. Musical cartoon (r) (s) (8267599) 7.35 Animal World:

Citucklevision. Paul and Barry cause further mayhem (s) (5647841) 8.35 Buckly O'Here. Cartoon adventures of the floppy-eared superhero (r) (1685315)
9.00 Going Live! Sarah Greene and Philip Schofield are joined by Nigel Kennedy, Michael Pain, Jason Donovan, Jonathon Porritt and Jeremy Angerson (s) (14136402) 12.12 Weather (3433334)
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1.30 Forte Handicap Hurdle; 2.05 H and T Walker Gold Cup: 2.35

and 4.30 Snooker; the latest news of the lifth round matches in the

Royal Liver Assurance UK championship from the Guildhall,

Preston; 2.50 Rugby Union: live coverage from the National Stadium in Cardiff of the match between Wales and Australia: 4.40 Final Score (15205711). Northern Ireland: 4.55 Results (5795824) 5.05 News with Mora Stuart, Weather (8200570) 5.15 Regional news

and weather (2517570)
 5.20 Dad's Army: Put That Light Out. Arthur Lowe and John Le Mesurier star in the everygreen Home Guard comedy. The platoon is sent to guard the local lighthouse (r). (Ceefax) (2077247)
 5.50 Big Break Innocuous snooker quiz in which Jim Davidson and John Virgo are joined by Dene O'Kane, Bay Reardon and Mike Holdet (Ceefax) (s) (640131)

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6.20 Noel's House Party. Garth Crooks is the unwitting recipient of this week's Gotcha Oscar in another farrago of resistible fun (s)

7.15 Bruce Forsyth's Generation Game. Four couples compete for the prizes on the conveyor belt, With Rosemarie Ford. (Ceelax) (s)

8.15 Casualty: Making Waves. Gritty medical drama set in the accident

accident. (Ceetax) (s) (536402) 9.05 News and sport with Martyn Lewis (Ceefax). Weather (755088)

and emergency department of a city hospital. Martin Jarvis and his real-life wife Rosalind Ayres play a couple involved in a boating

Haunting: Daryl Hannah with Steve Guttenberg (9.25pm)

CHOKE: Net Jordan, who had made the tough thriller Angel and the stylish Mona Lisa, seemed an unlikely director for this slight but enjoyable piece of whimsy about a drunken Irish aristocrat (Peter O'Toole) who tries to save the crumbling family pile by pretending it is haunted. The busicads of American tourists, led by Steve Guttenberg and Beverly D'Angelo, duly arrive, but are unconvinced until a real ghost materialises in the attractive shape of Daryl Hannah. Jordan, who was his own screenwriter, has fun, though perhaps not enough, with the culture clash between his Irish and American stepsotunes, with the culture clash between is not notable.

9.25 Film: High Spirits (1988)

CHOICE: Neil Jordan, who had made the tough thriller Angel and

American stereotypes, while O'Toole's performance is not notable for understatement. But in the end the film belongs to Harmah and the special effects department. (Ceefax) (s) (41316957)

11.00 Match of the Day, Desmond Lynam introduces highlights of two of

Galapagos. The island home of the giant tortoise (s) (2353334) 7.45 Quick Draw McGraw. Carbon fun (r) (8288082) 7.50 Little

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8.00 Open University: Science Preparatory Maths (4398839) 8.15 Open Advice: There's a Degree in Me Somewhere (5669063) 8.40

Design or Decline (1673570)

9.05 Film: Broadway Limited (1941, b/w). Wild farce in which a Hollywood director's publicity stunt backfires. Staring Victor McLagian. Directed by Gordon Douglas (7550889)

10.15 Film: Abbott and Costello in Society (1944, b/w). Predictable cornedy starring Bud and Lou as incompetent plumbers. Directed by Joon Vertical Add 25702

by Jean Yarbrough (4476792)

11.25 Bind's Eye View. Sir John Betjeman narrates an aerial tour of the English seaside (r) (2727976)

12.15 Film: Advance to the Rear (1963, b/w). Glenn Ford and Srelia.

Stevens star in a lively apport western about a group of misfits during the American civil war. Directed by George Marshall (92860) 1.50 Network East celebrates the careers of film producer ismail Merchant and writer Nirad Chaudhiri, and features Bombay designer Krishna Mehta's new exotic menswear collection (s) (73923150) 2.20 Tanhaiyan. Fifth episode in the 13-part Asian drame. In Urdu with

English subtities (2871421)
3.00 Film: Key Largo (1948, b/w). Wordy melodrama staning

Humphrey Bogart as a second world war veteran who armes at a remote Florida hotel and finds it under the control of mobster Edward G. Robinson. Directed by John Huston (15418773)

4.40 Snooker. David Vine introduces coverage of the Royal Liver Assurance UK championship from Preston's Guildhall (6657841)

5.30 Top Gear Reliy Report. A preview of tomorrow's Lombard RAC rely through the forests of England, Wales and Scotland (604)
6.00 Scrutiny. Reports on the work of the House of Commons select committees. (Ceefax) (957). Wates: Wates in Westminster 6.30 News and sport with Mora Stuart. Weather (270957)

6.45 Pole to Pole. Michael Palin travels through Ethiopian bandit country (r). (Ceefax) (864976) 7.35 Music on 2: Carl Nielsen — A Life In Stx Symphonies

 CHOICE: The conductor Simon Rattle presents a portrait of Dermark's leading composer, helped by Nielsen specialist Robert Simpson and the City of Eliminghem Symphony Orchestra. Rattle organises his account around the Nielsen symphonies, playing generous extracts and showing how they relate to the composer's life and development as an artist. It is a simple and effective formula. Rattle is as lucid and enthusiastic in speech as he is with the baton and never tries to push the life and art parallels turther than they will go. Even so, he presents a plausible account of a symphonist whose early optimism was gradually ended under the impact of the first world war, difficulties in his marriage and, by the time of the bleak final symphony, the pain of serious illness (s) (302044) 8.55 Have I Got News for You (f) (s) (902624)



Edgy tension: Juliet Stevenson and Trevor Eve (9.25pm)

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move into a haunted house (37402)
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talien builders (14432763). Ends at 12.00

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12.00 The Cock

9.25 Performance: A Doll's House ● CHOICE: The BBC2 Scandinavian evening continues with Ibsen's experity-crafted study of money and gender with Juliet Stevenson as the doll-wife who finally decides that enough is enough. Stevenson's Nora predictably dominates. This splendid actress holds the screen from the start with a performance which is by turns playful, flirtatious and deeply felt and touched with an edgy tension. Trevor Eve's husband is gruff, charmless and an effective foil and there is reliable support from David Calder as the secret money-lender and Geraldine James in the pivotal role of the schoolinend whose reappearance after nine years sparks the plot. David Thacker from the London Young Vic, a theatre director making his television debut, keeps the drama flowing with smooth eciting and the judicious use of close-ups. (Ceetax) (s) (46312082) 11.40 Film: Lacombe Lucien (1974). Director Louis Malle's deepty-felt drama about a country boy who joins the Gestapo during the Nazi occupation of France. Starring Pierre Blaise and Aurore Clément. In French with English subtitles (78974976)

1.55am Saturday Night Live. The American cornedy show features the actor Joe Pesci (9935629). Ends at 2.30

12.00 Tennis (92112)

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6.00 TV-am (7393268) 9.25 What's Up Doc? Including music from Kylie Minogue and a search for the person with the mor , outrageous laugh (e) (43597976)

11.30 Movies. Movies, Movies. The video and film guide reviews Sister Act, Of Mice and Men, Peter Rabbit, The Snowmen and The

ITV LONDON

Addams Family (4266)

12.00 The ITV Chart Show. The Vidgo Vault features Simple Minds performing their 1989 hit, "Belfast Child" (s) (98537) 1.00 ITN News with Dermot Murraghan, Weather (86493353) 1.05 LWT

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 1.10 European Champions League Special. Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves preview Wednesday's first round matches (9968685)
 1.45 The Smurfs. Cartoon (r) (38666247) 1.55 Highdays and Other Days. Jenny Bristow with meals for children (73926247)
 2.25 The A-Team: Senti-Friendly Persuasion. George Peppard and his team of Vietnam vetsrans are hired to protect peace-lovers from a compact from the maless (h) (1982600)

a gang of trouble-makers (r) (1287889)

3.20 WCW Wreatking. Bouts from the United States (7642570)

4.10 Dinosaurs. Prehistoric puppet series (s) (3365247)

4.40 FTN News with Dermot Murnaghan and Graham Miller. Weather

(4823841) 5.00 LWT News and weather (2629315)
5.05 Cartoon Time (r) (6170976)
5.20 Beverty Hills, 90210. Tales of teenage angst among Californian high school students. Brandon (Jason Priestley) chases a story and

Brenda (Shannen Doherty) has an accident. (Óracle) (s) (8743995) Brenda (Shannen Doherty) has an accident. (Oracle) (s) (8743995)
6.15 Gladiators. John Fesharu and Ulrika Jonsson introduce four more contenders to the might of the Gladiators. (Oracle) (s) (535773)
7.15 Blind Date. Citla Black plays Cupid to hopeful romentics and finds out how last week's wirmers fared. (Oracle) (s) (532957)
8.15 Beadle's About. Jeremy Beadle with more cruel tricks on unsuspecting members of the public (896709)
8.45 TIN News with Dermot Murraghan. Weather (244112)



Only the lonely: Tara Simpson as teenager Gillian (9.05pm)

9.05 Crime Story: Dear Roy, Love Gillian

 CHOICE: Tonight's dramatic reconstruction is set in 1978, a year carefully located with radio news items, and is a tale of two halves. In the first, Gillian (Tara Simpson), a stry and lonely teenager from Merseyside, is introduced to an unlikely pen friend, a young man serving a prison sentence. In the second, the story suddenly changes tack and becomes a murder enquiry. Connoisseurs of crime fiction who think that footprint clues went out with Sheriock Holmes will be interested to learn that a size 12 bootmark holds the vital key to a triumphant outcome for the boys in blue. As before in this series, acting and direction are serviceable but little more and

the place is carried by the strength of its plot. These true crimes also arouse our curiosity about the fate of the criminal, a sure recipe for holding attention to the final credits. (Oracle) (493501)

10.05 Film: The Delta Force (1936). Effective action thriller, based on the true story of the hijacking of a TWA plane in Athens. Chuck Norris and Lee Marvin lead an eite squadron to free Americans held based by Arch transfers. Directed by March transfers. hostage by Arab terrorists. Directed by Menahem Golan (s)

12,25am Almost Grown. Joey saves a neighbour's life (7976613) 1.30 The Big E. European magazine programme (s) (2223803)
2.35 The Gig. New bands from London and Bristol (1753700)
3.35 New Music. Pop interviews and videos (1223238)
4.30 The Hit Man and Her. Michaela Strachen and Pete Waterman with

music, fashion and competitions (s) (57174) 5.30 ITN Morning News with Tim Neilson (83303). Ends at 6.00

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6.00 Heathcliff. Cartoon soveritures (6098711) 6.25 Euraelos's Castle. Music and cartoons for the under-fives (f) (354295) 6.55
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10.00 Kabbadi. Maharashtra v Delhi in the men's sem-finais (r) (s) (22179)10.30 Gazzetta Football Italia. Paul Gascoigne reviews the goals from

last Sunday's Italian league matches and previews the goals from last Sunday's Italian league matches and previews tomorrow's games, including AC Milan y Inter and Lazio v Foggia (27727)

11.30 American Football. Mick Luckhurst and Gary Imlach present highlights of last week's action on the grid Iron (r) (2008)

highlights of last week's action on the glab fort (1) (2809)

12.00 Sign On: Your Views. Do deal organisations represent the young?

With signing and subtitles. (Teletext) (58421)

12.30 Songs and Memories. Hamsed Haroon, the newspaper publisher and founder of the Press Institute of Pakistan, take about and founder of the Press Institute of Paissan, takes about censorship and journalism and selects her tavourite firms (77044)

1.00 Film: Cartion-Browne of the FO (1958, b/w). The first of a Terry-Thomas double bill in which he plays an inept diplomat sent to the British-ruted island of Gallardia. Peter Sellers helps to sustain the fun. Directed by Roy Bouiting and Jeffery Dell (10376686)

2.40 Film: Private's Progress (1955, b/w). Gentle sand-up of the army stars Terry-Thomas as a major and lan Carmichael as the upper-class built who causes uninition maybern. Directed by John Boulting

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5.05 Brookside. Omnibus edition (f). (Teletext) (s) (9813599)
6.30 Right to Repty. Viewer Tracey Moore presents a humorous wew of death in television soaps and there is a review of the Cutting Edge documentary on the House of Lords. (Teletext) (s) (605)
7.00 A Week in Politics. Vincent Hanna and Andrew Rawnsley report on the americal continuous with Cast mercinations, the prospects

the arms-for-train controversy, the Gatt negotiations, the prospects for economic recovery and the Euro-banana row (1044)

8.00 The Big Battations. Brien Cox and Jane Lapotaire star in the opening episode of High Stodart's drama about faith and fanaticism (r). (Teletext) (s) (1808)



Looking for love: Gérard Departieu (left) risks all (10.00pm)

10.00 Film: Trop Belle Pour Toli (1989). The Gérard Departieu season continues with this dark comedy about a successful businessman with a beautiful wife and two children who have everything for the love of his overweight, middle-aged secretary. With Carole Bouquet and Josiane Balasko, in Franch with English subtitles. Directed by

Bertrand Biler (316570)

11.40 Let The Blood Rum Free. Spool medical soap (526402)

12.10am Jools Holland's Happening. Variety show live from the Astoria Theatre in London. The guests include Kym Mazelle, Albert Lee and Hogan's Haroes, Dave Brooks, the Vicious Boys, Craig Charles, Neil Impe. Edit. and Libra City. 2020. Neil Innes, Felix and Ruth Oliey (7536483) 1.10 The Word (r) (s) (2052342) 2.10 Film: Timetable (1956, b/w). Modest thriller about an insurance

men who is assigned to investigate a train robbery. Starring and directed by Mark Stevens (7161648). Ends at 3.35

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SCOTTISH As Lordon except: 1.40pm Carton (38876824) 1.45 Film Love on the Run (Clark Gatile, Joan Crawford) (240824) 3.15 Highway to Heaven (9516711) 4.10-4.40 Bullsoye (3365247) 5.00 Scotsport Results (8236965) 5.10 Scotland Today (2643965) 5.15-5.20 Carton (2642260) 12.286m Cue film Mark Mark (7534026) 12.286m Cue film Mark (7534026) 12.286m Cue

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#### PADIO 3

6.35am Open University: Access to Maths

6.55 Weather
7.00 Record Review with Paul
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Vermon Handley); Bech (Suite
No 4 in E flat, BWV 1010:
Anner Belsma, celler): Protection Anner Bylsma, callo); Prokofies (Plano Concerto No 4; Polish National RSO under Antoni Wil); Caldara (Crucifisus a 16); Andrea Gabrieli (De Protundis a 6: The Sixteen under Harry

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[1854295] 10.00 Phantom of the Opera Christophers); Krauss (Symphony in C minor: Concerto Köln) 9.00 News 9.05 Record Review (contd): with Roderick Swanston, Building a House, Swar asur, country, Library, Mozart's Pieno Trios by Flichard Wigmore, Uonel Saliter on new releases of Italian, French and Russian opera. 10.35 Record Release Poulenc (Dialoques des

Carmenes, except Lyon Opera Chorus and Orchestra under Kent Negano); Tchalkovsty (The Queen of Spades, Act 3: Boston SO under Seiji Ozawa with Vladimir Atlantov, tenor, Mirella Errol except and Some! Freni, soprano and Sergei Leierkus, bastone). 11.42 Nicholas Anderson reviews the Collectio Argentes. Multat (Sute in E. indissolubilis Amicitia: Concentus Musicus, nenna under Nikolaus moncourt)

1.00pm News 1.05 Bath International Featival 1992: The Kuijken Trio (Barthold Kuijken, beroque the Wieland Kuliken, viole da gamba and Robert Kohnen, harpsichord) perform Telemann (Methodical Suite in B minor for flute and continuo, 1732); F. Couperin (Suite in E continuo, 1728); Locatell (Sonata in C flute and (Sonata in C nutre and: continue, Op 2 No 1), C.P.E. Bach (Sonata in A minor, Wo 132); Bach (Trio Sonata in G, from BWV 1027-

2.20 Schumaran: Fantasy in C, Op 17 performed by planist David Mide (t) 3.00 Vienna: the Philhermonic Years 1842-1992: Richard Osbome presents a 12-part series documenting 150 years of music-making, 11: Leonard Bernstein. Bernstein (Waltz;

Turkey Trot; Blues; March, Divertimento); Mozert (Piano Concerto No 15 in B flat (450); Mahler (Symphony No

5.00 Jazz Record Requests win Godiney Smith 5.45 Third Opinion: Joe Ferrell reviews two new anthologies of poetry, A Plage for Order: Poetry of the Northern Ireland Troubles and The Faber Book of Modern European Poetry, and Iwa name collections— 5.00 Jazz Record Requests with and two prose collections — Saul Bellow's Something to Remember Me By and Erich Fried's Children and Fools. With opinions from Susannah

Clapp and Peter Porter
6.30 Leves and Jenkins: Second
of two programmes: Fretwork
with Nicholas Parle, organ,
perform William Lawes (Consort Sett in A minor); Jenkins (Fantasles: No 16 in D; No 8 in C minor, No 6 in F); Lawes (Consort Sett in G ert Herring: Britten's

three-act opera to a text by Eric Crozier adapted from a short story by Guy de Maupassant in the absence of a suitable young lady in the village, Albert is elected King of the May. With Heather Thomson, soprano, as Lady Billows, Marcia Swanston, mezzo, as Florance Pike, Nancy Hermiston, soprano as Miss Wordsworth, Canadian Opera Company Orchestra under David Lloyd-Jones, Act

 Includes at 7.55 The Writing of Albert Herring, Librettist Enc Crozer recalls his ollaboration with Britten. 8.05 Acts 2 and 3 9.40 William Hogarth at Bert's: Dr Roy Porter, medical historian, and David Bindman, Duming Lawrence Professor of Art. History at University College, London, meet on the great staircase of St Bartholomew's Hospital to look at Hosparit's

paintings representing The Pool of Bathesda and The Good Samerica
Good Samerica
10.00 Rinois Jacquet Big Band:
Recording of a concert by the
tenor escophonist from Louisiana and his bend.

During the interest Ayri Shipton talks to him about his career during which he worked for Count Basie, Cab Colloway and I innel Hammian

RADIO 4 (s) Stereo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing incl 6.03 Weather 6.10 The Farming

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7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 Yesterday in Parliament 8.58

9.00 News
9.05 Sport on 4
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10.00 News; Loose Ends (s)
11.00 News; The Week in Westminster with Michael

Westminster with Michael Write of The Guardian

11.30 Europhile with Brian Hannahan

12.00pm Money Box with Alison Mitchell

12.25 fm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (s) 12.55 Weather 1.00 News

Liverpool, Jonethan Dimbleby and quests Dr Zeld Badawi, director of the Muslim College;

Julia Claverdon, chief exacutive of business in the

community; Brenda Ma author and journalist, and David Owen, chief constable of North Wales. (†) 1.56

Shipping 2.00 News; Arry Answers? 071-

2.30 Seturday Playhouse: Alibi for a Judge. A comedy by Felicity Douglas and Henry Cacil from his book, Adapted and disasted by the Cacil from his book.

rs; Age to Age;

Christopher Cook uncover unflattering reports about royalty down the ages

4.30 Science Now: What effect will

Polarezolorer Robert Swar

explains how he became UN . roving commissioner 5.25 Tea Junction with Patrick

Hannan 5.50 Shipping 5.55

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5.00 Costing the Earth:

global warning have on British soils, rivers and coastline?

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directed by John Tydeman (s)

1.10 Any Questions? From

6.25 Week Ending: Satirical news review (s) (r) 6.50 The Locker Room: John Dryden investigates mpotence (s)

Beginning
● CHOICE: Conducting his enquiry into what influence, if any, the opening bars of a musical work have on the ro of it. Charles Hazlewood eli-from his expert panel (two composers, two performers, a lecturer) confirmation of what T.S. Ellot said in East Coker: "In my beginning is my end." The opening bars are variously revealed to be mood setters, the cales are the composition of the cales are the cales and the cales are the cales and the cales are revealed to be mood setters, the calm before the storm, an inner road map, and — an analogy that will be readily understood by anyone who takes The Times — a subtly

compiled page one index to the delights waiting on the inside pages. (s) Classic Sertal: The Master 7.50 CL Conversation Piece: Sue

8.50 Conversation Piece: Sue MacGregor's first guest in a new series of six programmes is Kevin Coates, artist-goldsmith, sculptor and nusician 9.20 Music in Mind: Presented by

Brian Kay (s) 9.50 Ten to Ten (s) 9.59 Weather 10.00 News 10.15 Open Mand with Sarah Bader

10.45 Open wind with Sarah Baxter and Henry Porter
10.45 Worlds Apart: In the first of six programmes about childhood in distant countries, Cyrithia Samuels talks to Ray Brown about her early mamories of Old Lindows Ray memories of Old Harbour Bay.

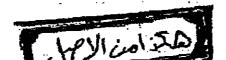
Jamaica (s) 11.00 Richard Baker Compares Notes: with the sopreno Dame Kirl te Kanawa (s) (r) Kirl te Kanawe (s) (r)

11.30 Dear Diary: Simon Brett returns with selections from four centuries of Genes. On November 20, 1947, diarists record their reactions to the wedding of Princess Elizabeth and Prince Phillip (s) (r)

12.00-12.30am Nows incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping

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7.45 Film: Love Happy (1949, b/w). In their last, disappointing, film together the Marx Brothers search for missing diamonds and have a brief encounter with Marityn Monroe. Directed by Devid Miller (4198782) 9.10 News and weather (8395087) 9.15 Start Your Own Religion. Colin Morris discusses forgiveness (s) (4743280). Northem Ireland: Caruse 9.30 Thile is the Day. Norma Cradock talks to young offenders (s) (86919) 10.00 See Haart Clive Mason reports on the Type Talk service (s) (64290) 10.30 Inside English. Language skills in the workplace (1121005). Wales: Careering Ahead (449990) 10.45 Italiantsaimo (1119281) 11.00 Careering Ahead (2272). Wales: See You Sunday (95822) 11.30 Mosaic. A three-part series about racial harrassment (1261) 12.00 Advice Shop. Welfare rights magazine (67342) 12.30 Country/File presented by John Craven (9158700). Wales: Down to Earth (80735) 12.55 Weather (78167822) 1.00 News (86442629) followed by On the Record (9498377) 2.00 EastEnders. Omnibus edition (f). (Ceetax) (s) (12919) 3.00 Film: Parry Mason — The Case of the Shooting Star (1986). Raymond Burr as the Infallible lawyer defends an actor accused of shooting a chal-show host (f). (Ceetax) (s6822) 4.30 Milchael Jackson's Dangerous Tour In Bucherest. Highlights from the Romanian leg of the singer's world four (r) (s) (6637087) 5.45 The Borrowers. Third of a sk-part children's drama about a termity of little people who live under the floorboards. (Ceefax) (202396) 6.15 Weather Watch with Craig Charles. (Ceefax) (190984) 6.25 News with Andrew Harvey. Weather (305938) 6.40 Songs of Praise from north Belfast. (Ceefax) (s) (557551) 7.15 Last of the Summer Wine: Ordeal by Trousers. Compo sets out to prove whether Foggy's war stories are true. (Ceefax) (s) (283261) 7.45 The House of Effott. In the last of the series the sisters head for the Andrew Harcher Harther People was stories are true. (Ceefax) (s) (283261) 7.45 The House of Effott. In the last of the series the sisters head for the Andrew Harcher Harther People was stories are tru

United States to promote their new collection. Starring Stella Gonet and Louise Lombard. (Ceetax) (s) (327532)

8.40 Birds of a Feather. Sharon and Tracey enter a karaoke contest. Starring Pauline Cuirke and Linds Robson. (Ceetax) (s) (431938)

9.10 News with Michael Buerk (Ceetax). Weather (447025)



London present: Dukes, Scott-Thomas, Parker (9.25pm)

9.25 Look at it This Way (129803)

 CHOICE: Justin Cartwright's satirical novel of London life in the eightles emerges as a promising three-part drama, adapted by the author, it is a tale in which realism is mixed with symbolism, the latter author, it is a tale in which realism is mixed with symbolism, the latter having much to do with llors which weave teasingly through the narrative. It is also a story in which London present, represented by the enterprise culture of advertising and the City, meets London past, evoked through an old bit-part actor played by Lionel Jeffries. The pivotal character is an American journalist and minor media celebrity (David Dukes). His transatientic perspective provides a counterpoint to the artificial worlds of copywriter Kristin Scott-Thomas and her philandering banker boyfriend (Nathaniel Parker). Veteran Jimmy Jewel helps to carry the lion theme as an old colonial lumn on his memories. (Caefax) living on his memories. (Ceefax) 10.25 Everyman: Kids Like Us

every mark: Note Lines of CHOICE: The cameras visit a tough housing estate in Newcastle upon Tyne and home in on Karl Brierley, who may be only seven but is already well involved in vandalism, arson, glue-sniffing and helping to steal cars. The easy explanation is that Karl is a victim of his environment. It is an area of poverty and high unemployment where come has become a way of life. Yet Karl's behaviour is not shared by his five brothers and sisters, who have been brought up in exactly the same way. His mother, Pat, is genuinely mystifled though she has had a troubled life herself, with a prison sentence for shoplifting and a partner who beat her. The film tries to demolish the myth of fackless parents, emphasising the concern of Pat and others to wean children away from anti-social acts. But no one has

any easy answers. (Ceefax) (196532)

11.15 Doogle Howser, MD (s) (915464)

11.40 Off the Back of a Lony. Mike Scott's 1992 quest (201416)

12.10am Tanhaiyan (r) (6933507) 12.50 Weather (8722397)

RADIO 3

BBC2

7.00 Felix the Cat. Cartoon (6452241) 7.15 Playdays (r) (4281984) 7.40 Smoggles (r) (7768396) 8.05 Telling Tales with Philip Hawthorn. (Ceelax) (s) (4357532) 8.20 Orville and Cuddles Cartoon artics (r) (4400613) 8.25 Bitsa. Caltin Easterby and Simon Pascoe with more recycling ideas (r) (s) (4368648) 8.45 Gentle Ben. Drama series following the fortunes of a boy and his pet bear (r). (Ceefax) (1576813) 9.10 The Wetter, the Better! Children's gerne show (4739613) 9.35 Thundercats. Adventures with the animated telines (r) (9635025) 10.00 Kevin and Co (r), (Ceefax) (s) (5896464) 10.25 Blue Peter. Omnibus (r) (s) (4867844) 11.15 The O-Zone. Music news (s) (7295483) 11.30 Shakespeare — The Animated Tales: The Tempest (r) (s)

(9803) 12.00 Thunderbirds, Pupper series (r). (Ceeiax) (3206716) 12.50 The Inveders. Vintage science-fiction series (r) (7095006) 1.40 The Staggering Stories of Ferdinand de Bargos: Of Sport and

Function Survey (r) (s) (42387006)

2.00 Around Westminster. Review of politics (9445). Northern Ireland:
A Room with a View. Wates. Scrutiny

2.30 Snooker. David Vine introduces coverage of the Royal Liver

Assurance UK championship from the Guildhall, Preston (8619993) 2.45 Top Gear Rally Report. The Lombard RAC rally (181464)

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3.45 Snooker. Further coverage of the action from Preston (9131071)
5.05 Rugby Special. Highlights of the matches between Wales and Australia and Leicester and Bath (s) (8831667)
6.05 Travel Show Guides. Penry Junor presents reports from the Cypriot resorts of Kyrenia, Famagusta, Polis and Latchi (936193)
6.35 The Money Programme. Steve Levinson asks. can the battered consumer lead Britain out of recession? (272358)
7.15 The Realms of the Russian Bear: The Celestial Mountains. Nilrolat Drapting is not the netural history of the former Scalet.

wai Drozdov's series on the natural history of the former Soviet Union explores the wildlife that inhabits the great ranges of central Asia and the Himalayas. (Ceelax) (622984)



Lecture on laughter: funny man Rowan Atkinson (8.05pm)

8.05 Funny Business: Visual Comedy

 CHOICE: A stx-part series on comedy and comedians opens with Rowan Atkinson on the craft of making people laugh without recourse to words. No mean performer in this field himself, Atkinson recourse to words. No mean performer in this field himself, Atkinson draws extensively on his own repertoire as well as calling up clips from Hollywood silents down to Sellers and Cleese. The danger with such an exercise is killing the subject by over-analysis. Atkinson's "lecture" does not avoid this entirely, though his appreciation of the mechanics of visual humour, discussed under such headings as mime, percody and slapstick, is lilluminating and shrewd. The bigger questions are why we laugh and how tastes in humour change. Atkinson addresses them only briefly, in attempting to demonstrate why (in his view) Chaplin has lasted less well than W.C. Fields (211434).

8.55 Bullding Sights, Europe. Andrée Putman visits the Mémorial aux Martyrs de la Déportation in Paris, dedicated to the 200,000 French victims of the Nazi death camps (969396)

 9.05 Did You See. . ? Jeremy Paxman, Ian Hislop, Beryl Bainbridge and the Right Rev Hugh Monteflore discuss Channel 4's Cutting Edge and The Big Battalions and Get Back on BBC1 (s) (572006)
 9.40 Open Space Special: Give Me Memphis, Basildon. Singer Phil Burdett's struggle to clinch a record deal. (Ceefax) (s) (947193).

Wates: The Soul of a Nation

10.15 Top Gear Raily Report. Stave Lee introduces highlights of the Lombard RAC raily (650342). Wates: 10.20 Open Space Special

10.30 Film: The Chant of Jimmle Blacksmith (1978). Tough and trenchant drama, based on the novel by Thomas Keneally, about an exploited half-white Abongine driven by Fibrias Releasy, about a exploited half-white Abongine driven to murderous rage. Starring Tommy Lewis and Freddy Reynolds. Directed by Fred Schepisl (74532). Ends at 12.30am. Wales: 10.55 Film: The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith; 12.50am-1.05 Top Gear Rally Report

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RADIO 4

ITV LONDON

6.00 TV-am (5193880) 9.25 The Disney Club Enjertainment for children (6064358)

10.45 Link. Sian Vesey reports on a free legal advisory service helping disabled people and their families to obtain their entitlements. (Oracle) (1111629) 11.00 Morning Worship from St Joseph's Church in Middlesbrough

(53700)12.00 The Human Factor: Life After Cricket. Imrar. Khan talks to Mike Field about his plans to build a cancer hospital in Pakistan in memory of his mother. (Oracle) (65938)

12.30 LWT News Weekend and weather (75803) 1.00 FTN News with Dermot Murnaghan. Weather (55316464) 1.10 Walden. Brian Walden asks the delence secretary Malgorin Rilland whether Britain should be doing more to reduce the suffering in the former Yugoslavia (s) (8242803)

2.00 Bullseye. Jim Bowen hosts the darts quiz (3071)
2.30 The London Match lan St John introduces live coverage from Molineux of the match between Wolverhampton Wanderers and Chariton Athletic, and from Underfull of the game between Barnet

and Cardiff (s) (32858342)

5.05 Baywatch: The Big Race. Los Angeles Ideguard David Hassethoff

emers a gruelling 60-mile water-sking race in (8799 i74)
6.00 Animal Country. Sarah Kennedy and Desmond Moms look at wild cats, white swans and Gozmo, the red panda (803)
6.30 ITN News with Dermot Murnaghan Weather (606735) 6.35 LWT News and weather (606006)

6.40 Highway. Harry Secombe visits Nevibury in Berkshire, and meets Johrny Morris and Evelyn Glernie (Oracle) (559919)
7.15 Second Thoughts: Occupational Hazard James Bolam and Lynda Bellingham star as the ill-fated lovers in the Jan Etherington and Gavin Petrie cornedy senes. (Oracle) (s) (265629)
7.45 The Ruth Rendell Mysteries: Kissing the Gunner's Daughter

Second episode of a four-part murder mystery. The rift between Reg and his daughter is taking its toll. With George Bairer and Deborah Poplett. (Oracle) (971824) 8.45 London's Burning. Watchable drama series following the private and professional fortunes of the Blue Watch fire-fighters. Baylean (James Hazeldine) discovers the whereabouts of his daughter

9.45 ITN News with Dermot Murnaghan. Weather (891434).
10.05 The New Statesman: Back from the Mort. A new series of the political saure starting Rik Mayali. After serving two years in a Russian gulag, Alan B'Stard files home to unwelcome change. (Oracle) (598483)



Music lovers: Glenda Jackson and Ken Russell (10.35pm)

10.35 The South Bank Show: The Secret Life of Sir Arnold Bax

● CHOICE: Ken Russell's latest composer biopic finds the director not only playing his leading character but in a mellow mood which largely the eschews the excesses of previous work. He picks up the

story in the 1940s, when Bax has just written the score for Da Lean's film of Otiver Twist. Aussell is clearly a fan of Bax's lush romantic music but even more interested in the composer's private life, his long and prickly relationship with the planst Harriet Cohen (Glenda Jackson) and his penchant for picking up young women, here represented by a cinema usherette-cum-fan-dancer (Helty Bavnes). Russell the actor does not offer a large range, but his portrait of a sad old man whose music has fallen out of favour is true and moving. As for Russell the director, this is a restrained performance and all the more effective for it (s) (1452803)

Cue the Music. Dionne Warwick at the Albert Hall (s) (251342) 12.45 Liberace at the Las Vegas Hilton. The showman in concert in 1980 (822168) 2.20 The ITV Chart Show (r) (s) (5144762)

3.25 Coach. Hayden recruits a player from out of town (4198656)
4.00 Pick of the Week. Regional ITV highlights (11236)
4.30 Memories of 1970-1991. Archive film from 1981 (s) (97965)
5.30 ITN Morning News with Brenda Rowe (37052). Ends at 6.00

9.50 Semi-Tough (1977) A gril has lo choose between two friends (410735), Ends at 11.36

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

1.15pm After The Shock

7.00 Groom (1990). Pariots Swayze returns to earth to protect Dermi Moore (7.1801613) 9.10 Green Card (1990). Gerard Departieu mamas Andie MacDowlell for a work permit (2238999) 11.00 The Amilyville Curse (1989): Friends buy an old house (7.43735) 12.35cm Eleathack (1990). Kiefer Sinher.

outy art for nouse (745735) Kiefer Suther-land plays a young FBI agent (397762) 2.30 Pretty Beby (1977) A grit series her apprenticeship in a brothet (443897) 4.25 Gas (1961); The effects of a lake petrol shortage (5446743) Ends at 6.00am

Vis the Astra and Marcopolo satellites 8.30am Fishing The West (29434) 7.00 The Little Lasgue (27277 9.00 Jark High (85464) 10.00 Gods On Sunday (39894) 11.00 The Club Show Oldhem Athletic (83342) 11.30 Nethusters (84071) 12.00 Survival of the Finest (3108) 13.30mm Minth Enc. (59550)

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Football (18629) 9.00 The Big League (58880) 11.00 Super Sunday (10342) 1.00-3.00am ATP Tour (25491)

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 8.00am Step Aerobics (23087) 8.30 Trans
 World Sport (94377) 9.30 Euroscore (74209)

SKY SPORTS

EUROSPORT

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Trans World Sport. Sporting news (r) (67532) 7.00 Take 5. For younger viewers (4366629) 7.25 Laurel and Hardy, Cartoon (2155716) 7.35 Little Wizards. Animation (7756551) 8.00 Sandokan Adventures with the pirate prince (53193) 8.30 Wish Kild Carloon lun (1679754) 8.55 Tintin. Adaptation of Hergé's classic senes (4587716) 9.25 Laurel and Hardy. Comedy with Stan and Ollie (8309280) 9.30 Dennis. Cartoon adventures of the mischievous boy and his friends (r) (5693532) 9.45 Flipper, Adventures of the friendly dolphin (439498)

10.15 If Wishes Were Horses. The children go on a riding holiday (r). (Teletext) (s) (384349)

10.45 Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea The underwater adventures of the submanne Seaview and her crew (r) (827754) 11.45 Little House on the Prairie: Quarantine Homespun family

drame series starring Michael Landon (823938)

12.45 Classic Cars: Wheels of Gold. Auctioning cars is big business and can lead to courtroom battles (n (390990)

1.15 Football Italia Coverage of the top matches, including AC Milan v

Inter-Potocaan Maina Coverage of the top matches, including AC Millan vinter. Tonno v Juventus and Sampdoria v Napoli (13434532)

3.30 Film: Man with the Gun (1955, b/w). Intelligent western staming Robert Mitchum as a gunfighter who, while searching for his estranged wrife (Jan Sterling), does battle with a crooked rancher. Directed by Richard Wilson (854087)

5.05 Magoo's Puddle Jumper An Oscar-winning cartoon (2513700) 5.10 News and weather (2618209)



Supermarket fever: will the shopper have to pay? (5.15pm)

5.15 High Interest: Superl Markets. Samsbury, Tesco and Safeway

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6.00 The Miraculous Melliops Australian fantasy drama (445)
6.30 The Cosby Show. American family comedy show. (Teletext) (975)
7.00 Equinox: The Puzzle of HIV. After a decade of intensive research, the HIV virus is still baffling scientists. Using microscopic and computer improve the representations of the programment.

computer images, this programme sets out on a journey inside the human body and examines how the virus destroys internal defences against disease. (feleted) (6445)

8.00 The Royal Collection: The Rogal Image. In the last in the series. Christopher Loyd looks at how state portraits illustrate the changing the of the manager. role of the monarchy. (Teletext) (s) (4377) 8.30 American Footbalf. Mick Luckhurst and Gary Imlach introduce

highlights of the game between the Philadelphia Eagles and the New York Glants (95532)

10.00 Film: Above Us the Waves (1955, b/w). Standard second world war heroics with John Mills and Donald Sinden leading a midget submanne attack against a German battleship. Directed by Ralph Thomas (330025) 11.50 Film: The Hour of the Star (1985) The Latin American Cinema

seasor continues with a drama from Brezil about an orphan girl who travels to the big city to seek her fortune. Starring Marcella Cartaxo. Directed by Suzana Amarat. In Portuguese with English subtitles (258377) Ends at 1.35am

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Joseph Cottan, James Whatmore, Jason
Robards) (2046500) 5.30-6.00 Bullsoye
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As London except; 12.30pm-1.00 Garden-ry Time (9256396) 2.00 Film. Carry On Jack; 1735(19) 3.35 Highway to Heaven (3659218) 4.90 Armad Country (938) 5.00 Scotsport 6559; 6.00-6.30 Bulliseye (803) 11.45 Pranner Cell Block H (765006) 12.40am Juzi Night (9544168) 1.06 Motorsport Special 6074830) 1.06 Film. Adolt Hilder— 15 Post in His Downtell (710515) 3.35 Pick of the Week (70790168) 4.00 TIV Chart Show (2419) 5.00-5.30 Jodnfort (75385)

CENTRAL

6.55am Weather

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9.00 News 9.05 Brian Kay's Sunday

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7.00 Sunday Morning Concert

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Lawrence); Respighi (Gli Uccelli); Ravel (Valses nobles et sentimentales), Saint-Saens

(Le rouet d'Omphale); Delibes (Suite, Sylva), Ravel (Piano concerto for the Jeff hand);

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HTV WEST As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 The Nature of Things (\$255395) 2.00 Challenge of the Seas (\$171) 2.30 Carboon (4252795) 2.40 WCW Worldwide Wheeting (5852280) 3.30 The West March (\$19) 4.00 Film: You're Only Young Twice (89754) 8.30-5.00 Bulls-cus (\$270.)

HTV WALES

As HTV West except: 3.30pm-3.50 Firm You're Only Young Twice TSW

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 TSW Farming Week (\$255395) 2.00 Off the Hook (3071) 2.30 Cars introduces Frontie Tooles

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43); Busoni, art John Adams (Berceuse élégiaque) Liszt, orch John Adams (La lugubre gondola); Liszt (Les Préludes) 5.30 St Cectifia's Day Service:

Chart Show (4003894) 3.50 Cus the Music (4282785) 2.40 Highway to Heaven (588832) 3.35 Film Family Flight (5888529) 5.00 Bullesye (9321) 5.30-6.00 Coobie-stones, Cottages and Castles (890) 11.45 As Leadon except: 12.28pm-1.00 What Prisoner: Cat BSCK H (26000) 12,40am Cuz Nght (2437984) 1,10 Motorsport, Special (8705120) 1,40 Film; Adolf Hitler — My Parl in Fis Downfall (710615) 3,35 Pick of the Week (70790168) 4,300 The IV Chan Show (92410) 5,00-5,30 Jobfinder (75385)

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(3280) 5.00 Animal Country (3221) 5.30
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Swarg (97918149) 5.00-5.30 Joblinder
(75385)

YORKSHIRE As Landon except: 12.25pm The Littlest Hobo (9013209) 12.50-1.00 Calendar News (84406358) 2.00 Highway to Heaven

(s) Stareo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing Incl 6.03 Weather 6.10 Prolude 6.30 Morning Has Broken 6.55 Weather 7.00 News 7.10

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2.30 Sunday Playhouse: Mickey
Just Smiles by Mark Power.
Insurance assessment is who

Mickey does for a living. Taking risks in his own life is what he does for fun (s) (r)

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(4725551) 2.55 Warner Cartoon (5717880) 3.05 Film: Demetrius and the Geolistons (51446445) 5.00 Animal Country (S321) 5.30 Bulkseye (980) 6.00-6.30 Catandar (903) 11.45 Film: Night of Terror (682464) 1.06am Quz Night (8713149) 1.35 Pick of the Week (4790030) 2.05 Karm 8hoomi (9567052) 2.35 Zana Dhyan Dem (5991439) 2.40 Film: Swang (87530385) 5.10-5.30 Job@nder (8685149)

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6.00 Stx O'Clock News 6.15 Feedback with Chris

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SATELLITE SKY ONE

 Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellities
 6.00am Hour of Power (\$1254) 7.00 Fun
 Factory (\$115377) 11.30 The World Tomor row (40667) 12.00 Lost in Space (3684)
 1.00 UK Top 40 (18532) 2.00 Trapper John
 (\$2551) 3.00 Eight is Ehough (44483) 4.00
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 9.15 Gawain and the Green Knight (1973)
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art of American novelist Henry James (s)
8.00 Punters with Susan Mering (r)
8.30 Reading Aloud Low Life by Jeffrey Bernard, From the columns of The Spectator, the paunchy underbelly of Soholife seen through the redrimmed eyes of Jeffrey Bernard and read by his brother. Ofiver
9.00 The Natural History Programme presented by

Programme presented by Jessica Holm (r)

Short reports from Vietnam (r) 9.58 Weather

10.00 News 10.15 Last Post Stalingrad. Winter 1942-43. • CHOICE: None of these "last" letters from officers and men of the German Sixth Army, phaned down in the ruins of Steingrad in the bitter winter of 1942, was delivered. This is not to say that every single one of the writers was killed. Not that it matters. The pens were held by men who, realistically, had very little time left to live, and what they wrote to their families and sweethearls was couched in the sort of language that a condemned man, denied a reprieve, might employ

what he does for fun (s) (f)

3.30 The Radio Programme:
Laure Taylor looks at traffic
information on the radio

4.00 News; Analysis: Through the
Roof? David Taylor looks at
the housing market (f)

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Dawson, soprano, and Jakob 11,15 Music in Our Time: Steve 3.45 Honegger. Dong Suk Kang, violin, Raphael Walfisch, cello. Montague talks to four composers, winners from the international Electroacoustic Music Competition in Bourges: Javier Alvarez, Denis Smalley, Pascal Devoyon, plano periorm Trio in F minor (1914). Vigin Sonata No 2: Cello Sonala, Duo for violin and Joney Harrison and Alejandro 4.40 BBC Weish SO under Andrew

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## Havens of hedonism

Nigella Lawson casts a critical eye over the insulated worlds

of Harold Pinter's Party Time and Hello! magazine



"IS IT silly to say I feel proud?" asks a character in Harold Pinter's Party Time, which had its television premiere on Channel 4 on Tues-

day. "I mean to be part of the society of beautifully dressed people. God, I don't know: elegance, style, grace, taste. Don't these words, these concepts, mean anything any more? I'm not alone, am I, in thinking them incredibly important?"

No. she is not alone. There are half a million like her who buy Hello! magazine every week. And thar's more, as Hello, Hello, the first of Channel 4's new business series, High Interest, informed us last Sunday, than the combined monthly circulations of Vogue, Tatler and Harpers & Queen.

As recession deepens, Hellor's circulation figures climb. Outside its pages may be unemployment, poverty, crime and punishment, just as outside Pinter's party there are the overhead helicopters, the road blockages and round-ups, while inside the magazine, at the party, all is wealth and comfort, expensive swimming and tennis

clubs, idyllic island retreats.

To think of it all as innocent escapism is to miss the point of Hello! and the reason for its success: it is an adept averting of the gaze - from ugliness, nastiness, anything that rots the expensive fabric of a society that wishes to

be beyond criticism. "They don't try to put the person down, to be too critical," Ivana Trump explained to the Channel 4 team. "I know there's going to be a tremendous amount of accuracy," Stephanie Powers confided euphemistically. Or, as Ian Hislop, editor of Private Eye, a magazine which is the very antithesis of Hello!, put it: "No one has ever, ever been that unquestioning to celebrity fame and power."

#### TV REVIEW

Hello! is the sister magazine of iHola!, which has been in continuous publication, from Eduardo Sanches Junco's family apartment in Madrid, since 1944. And like Pinter's party guests, it has flour-ished happily, blithely, through dictatorship. It breezed through the totalitarian regime under Franco. There was press censorship, no freedom. But it didn't affect iHola!," said Alfonso Ussia, a Spanish journalist. "How can you censor ideas in a magazine that

doesn't have any?" iHola! and Hello! don't have ideas: they have friends; friends who are royal, friends who are arms dealers, friends who are stars. Our own Princess of Wales is the most recurring figure in their pages, along with Adnan Kashoggi and Elizabeth Taylor.

Two months after Robert Maxwell's death, when the financial scandals revealed by his demise were still erupting, Hello! paid a visit to "Betty Maxwell's French Retreat". No hard questions asked, just nice pictures of soft furnishings. "There is", or so the editorial line goes, "no point in embarrass-

The linchpin of the exercise is the Marquesa de Varela, a woman who, according to Nigel Dempster, the Daily Mail gossip columnist, goes around the world with a Louis Vuitton bag stuffed with cash. These interviews do not come cheap: Elizabeth Taylor was paid £100,000 for the exclusive coverage of her seventh wedding, with funds going to charity, naturally. The marquesa, an elusive figure ("I think I'm not going to answer questions about the marquesa," came the coy stonewalling from the Hello! offices) is the one who woos the big names and wins their confidence. The Daily Mail, apparently, tried to track her down for

High Interest's coup to have got her, extracting the first interview she has ever given.

The Louis Vuitton cash-stash was pooh-poohed: "I never wear Vuitton all my life": evidently the allegation was as wounding on sartorial as on ethical grounds. But she amiably enough divulged to the camera her tricks: "One of my weapons is that they can trust me, trust us ... I am", she reiterated, "a close friend of many of these people. I was married to a marqués

and enjoyed a high social life."

The marquesa planned to show us how a Hello! interview was done. In a Shaw Taylor-like reconstruction of a crime, we swept up in a taxi with her to the luxy Lanesborough hotel, Hyde Park Corner, to see Ivana Trump. "I am an old friend of Ivana and Ivana's friends," she reminded us. "First of all I will remind her where we met, so she will realise we have a lot of friends in common and feel more relaxed. Oh. that sort of old

Ivana, suitably relaxed, posed for photographs and answered probing questions such as: "Ivana, what

is your ideal city to live?" This intimate reunion between old friends had to be fitted into the half-hour Ivana had available, even though, of course, something a little more intensive and extensive would seem to emerge, ultimately, on the page. No problem for the marquesa - or for Ivana: "She's thin, she's successful and she's

happy, so it's an easy one."
"A breathe [sic] of fresh air who
comes into your hands once a week" is the marquesa's description of Hellol. "Easy reading and beautiful photos, with a lot of morality and integrity." But the real breath of fresh air was provided by this documentary film, which brought to its subject the techniques of investigative journalism and solid enquiry the magazine so



Adeptly avoiding the world outside: Nicola Pagett (Charlotte), Roger Lloyd Pack (Fred) and Barry Foster (Gavin) in Harold Pinter's Party Time

pointedly lacks. And, rare for a business programme of this sort, the graphics were a real aid to

understanding.
The exclusive swimming and tennis club about which Pinter's party guests rhapsodise shares Hello?'s sense of morality and integrity. Helicopters are heard chuntering threateningly across the sky, but in the room the talk is of the club. It's beautiful. It's got everything ... hot towels, gold-plated service, luxury. More, as Lady Melissa (Dorothy Tutin) informs us as she "subscribes wholeheartedly" to the en-comium the club has been so glitteringly given, "it is based on a moral foundation". The moral, one deduces, is to wrap oneself up in one of the club's hot towels, not to look outside in the street, not to

notice what might be going on out-side or to ask, as Dusty (Cordelia Roche) does: "What's happened to Jimmy?" as, like a chorus repeated throughout the play, she tries to find out what has become of her brother, one of those, we infer, who has been rounded up.

But that is not on the agenda. And she, anyway, her bullish, yobbish husband informs her, doesn't have an agenda. "You just have to shut up and mind your own business." All she is required to do is tell everyone about the club. She does-It's beautiful. It's got everything."

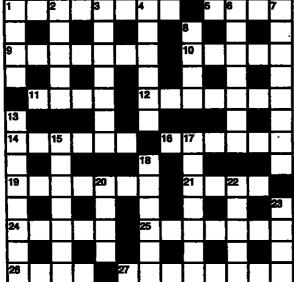
Party Time's transfer from the Almeida theatre to the screen is a successful one. An insistent use of close-up gives the menacing sense of being pulled in by the scruff of the neck. For this production, Pin-

ter wrote in extra characters, and the running time is a little longer than it was on stage. And under his direction - deliberate, stylised, muscularly tight, almost choreographed - the play seemed to take shape like a series of formal dances.

Charlotte and Fred (Nicola Pagett and Roger Lloyd Pack) perform their pas de deux with brittle wit as she asks: "What's your regime?", and he enquires after the death of her husband. Barry Foster, as Gavin the host, brings the steelsouled affability of a benign Roman dictator to the part. "We want peace." he informs his guests. We want peace and we are going to get it. But we want that peace to be cast-iron - no leaks, no drafts. tight as a drum. Like this ... " and The dialogue is Pinter at his most staccato, but also lyrical. The characteristic repetitions, the reiterated banalities, give the actors' speech the sense of a prose rondeau.

The trouble in the streets is alluded to only foggedly. There is mention of traffic problems, of roadblocks, of a round-up. Under this shadow it is tempting to interpret the party's conversation piece — the dub, "our club" — as a metaphor for some band of power-brokers. the Establishment. But what singularly comes across is the literalness of this club. It is the epitome of the values and virtues of the bourgeoisie here assembled, a haven of narcissism and luxurious hedonism. Whatever else is going on outside in the world, it pampers, comforts and insulates. Rather like Hello!

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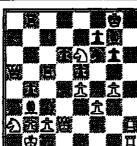
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WINNING MOVE By RAYMOND KEENE, Chess Correspondent

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Solution to last Saturday's competition: 'I Qg8+. The winners are: C.W. Stunt, Sherborne; M.J. Paul, Worcester Park: P.J. Dillon.

WORD WATCHING

By PHILIP HOWARD

NAPERY a. Jesuitical casuistry b. Household linen c. Trickery, knavery VIRGULE a. A loose woman

b. A slash Answers on page 13 c. Heraldic purple

CYPRIAN a. Lewd or wanton b. A surf-boarder c. Flavoured with pine resin

**GALIMATIAS** 

a. The crest of a helmet b. Gibberish c. Cold meats in aspic

• Performance: A Doll's House (today, BBC2, 9.25pm)

In his television début, David Thacker, of the Young Vic, directs Ibsen's excoriating drama of a wife who resists the role a meretricious and narrow-minded society foists on her. Juliet Stevenson plays Nora, and Trevor Eve her constricting husband.

Geraldine James, Patrick Malahide and David Calder provide back-up.

 Funny Business (Sunday, BBC2, 8.05pm)
Rowan Atkinson kicks off this six-

part investigation into the art of comedy with a look at mime and visual humour. Buster Keaton,

#### TV PREVIEW

Jacques Tati and John Cleese are among those disporting themselves.

 Catholics and Sex (Monday, Channel 4, 11pm) In the first of a four-part series, Kate

Saunders, the columnist and author, and Peter Stanford, a former editor of the Catholic Herald, enquire into the nature of Catholic guilt and confusion about sexuality, both theory and practice. Tonight's programme focuses on the priesthood, celibacy and the church's teachings on sexual behaviour.

 The Feast of Christmas (Tuesday, Channel Four, 8\_30pm) The suitably rotund Paul Levy unravels the gastronomic traditions of Christmas with Frances Bissell, the Times cook, food writer Claudia

Roden and chef Raymond Blanc.

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### A head full of voices, songs of fear

he premise runs that no band can be truly great without an amazing vo-calist. It's all very well having industrial-strength tunes (yaawn) and the kind of rhythm that forces concrete blocks to shake their funky thangs (boooring) - if it ain't got steel lungs and a honey throat shoving it up the top 20, then the future of the band includes mini-cabbing and a great deal of part-time bar work.

The premise is proven by among others, the impossibly great Throwing Muses — sweetly ticklish Kristin Hersh's band. Hersh's vocals are fullon: frightening; beautiful; her wits" end banshee wail is full of gun-smoke and robbed

sleep.
"I was so scared of my voice," the diminutive Hersh says, curled up on a very uncomfortable wooden chair. "Even now, sometimes. But not as much as, uh, before."

"Before" is when all the unpleasant stuff happened. In places. Hersh's history is as bleak and black as her lyrics. Having been heaped with roses and soaring superlatives for several frankly amazing albums — House Tornado/ Fat Skier, Real Ramona and Red Heaven are mentioned in particular, hoping that y'all will wander on down to HMV and invest your cash wisely --Throwing Muses, along with The Pixies, were regularly hailed as Boston's greatest contribution to the world

since Cheers. Then, in 1991, Hersh peeled herself apart in a Melody Maker interview, and disclosed that she had been suffering from "bi-polarity" -voices in her head telling her what to do. Her "muses" - the entities that "gave" her her songs — were ripping her apart. "I was really embarrassed that I was crazy," she said. "I'd have seizures, knock teeth out, talk in these other voices ... " She split in two --"Good Kristin" and "Bad Kristin"; mentally dividing herself up to protect the baby with which she was pregnant at the time. "My voice feit so big and dangerous," she says, "I was horrified to think that

Hersh lost a custody battle, so baby Dylan now lives with her ex, and cannot be taken out of his home state. At the

this voice was in there with the



The Throwing Muses: "My voice felt so big and dangerous," says singer Kristin Hersb

Caitlin Moran on the 'muses' that once sent a brilliant singer crazy

same time she was fighting for her baby. Hersh split acrimoniously with her manager. and recorded her fifth LP - Real

Ramona. "Hook In Her Head" from Real Ramona gives vent on how she feit about her

career at the time "Rip it up, down/make it big, keep it clean/shake it up. Take it home/do it good/keep it up. Well honey it's a drag but if you don't, watch them go. I guess I'll have to unhook these hooks/This woman literally/ felt she had a hook in her head. I'm sooo, bone, tired." In muso-jargon, the hookline or hook is the part of the song that snags people's attention. This double-meaning, the weary fear in Hersh's voice. the terrifying tumble of guitars

and thud-bang-doom drums

are all, very...
Just, Very. She said in interview recently: "I don't have any driving ambition to be famous myself: but I think the songs would eat me alive if I didn't

another baby, Ryder - "It

let them go."

Now, though, things are better. Hersh has

sounds strange to say that, y'know, 'I've got another baby,' but it's like, I don't have empty arms any more. I've got something there." Ryder's father, Billy O'Connell, also manages the band, and is fiercely protective of his wife. And while Hersh still seems vaguely uncomfortable with whatever it is that gives her her songs, she feels that "all my catastrophes have been exorcised. I feel I have a very normal life now." Throwing Muses albums

and a very loud guitar between her and an audience. Hersh's body is taken over by her songs. Her left leg twists painfully around and her neck weaves from side to side, like a cobra being hypnotised. Her friendly eyes turn blue-white. "I get really upset, I can, uh. feel that I'm freaking the audience out, because of how I look. The worst thing would be if they thought that I was doing it on purpose, to look possessed or something."

brutal chorus.

are invariably filled with psychotic waltzes, hate, fear,

grace, bewilderment, beau-

ty... Curse, the Muses' live

album out now on 4AD, is no different. Hersh's voice trawls

through disgust, alternately

growling and soaring on "Fu-

rious"; and shivers through

"Pearl", a very scary song in a

whole set of Scary Songs. It

tiptoes along, just Hersh and a

mute acoustic, before suddenly

being pounced on and con-

sumed utterly by a big, raw,

With a spotlight in her eyes

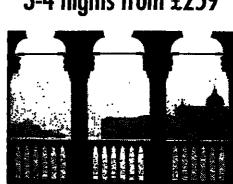
If you've ever been remotely fond of beauty, or music, or both together, then Curse is £7.99 and bloody essential.

#### GUILTY SECRETS: Graham Bell, Olympic skier

I watch Gladiators — and enjoy it. The series features a bunch of body-building guys and girls who compete with the public in various games, such as fighting each other with long, foamtipped sticks. It's kid's stuff really, but I think it's great. The funniest thing is that the referee, John Anderson, is a highly respected figure in the athletics world: he coached Liz McColgan.



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